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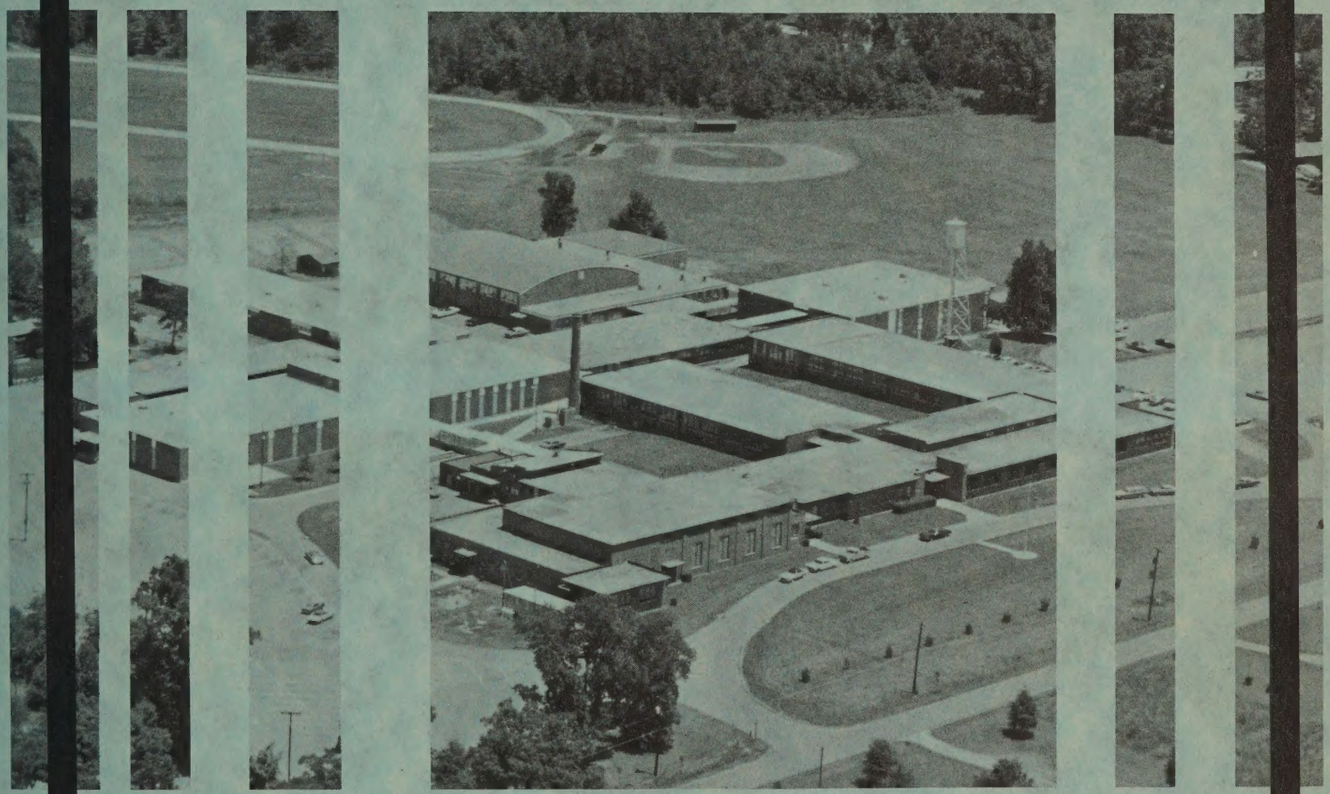

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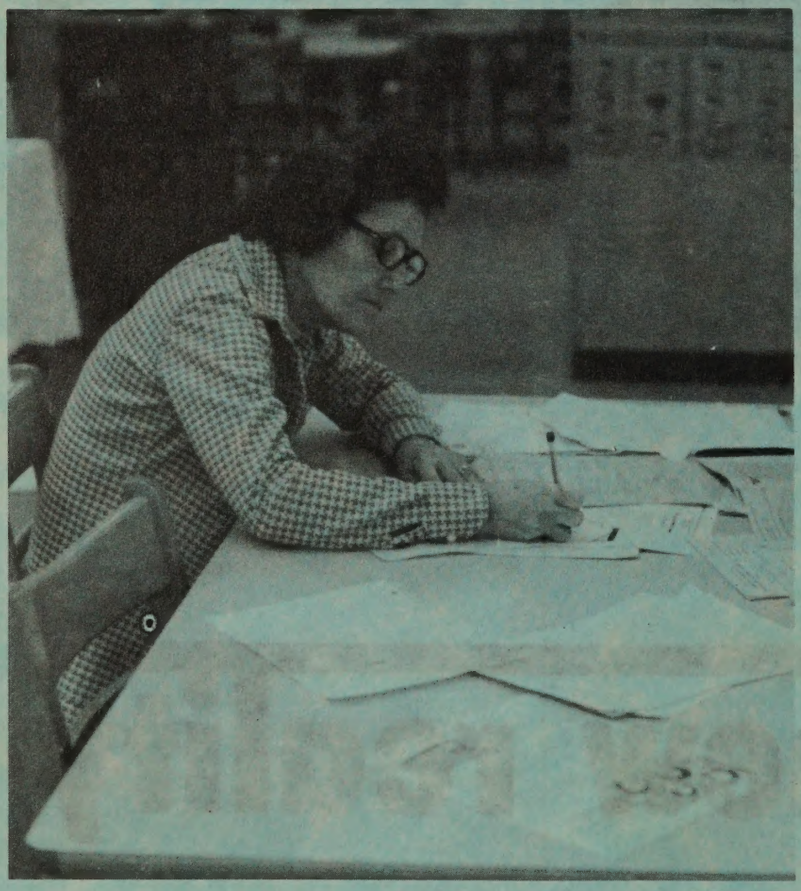

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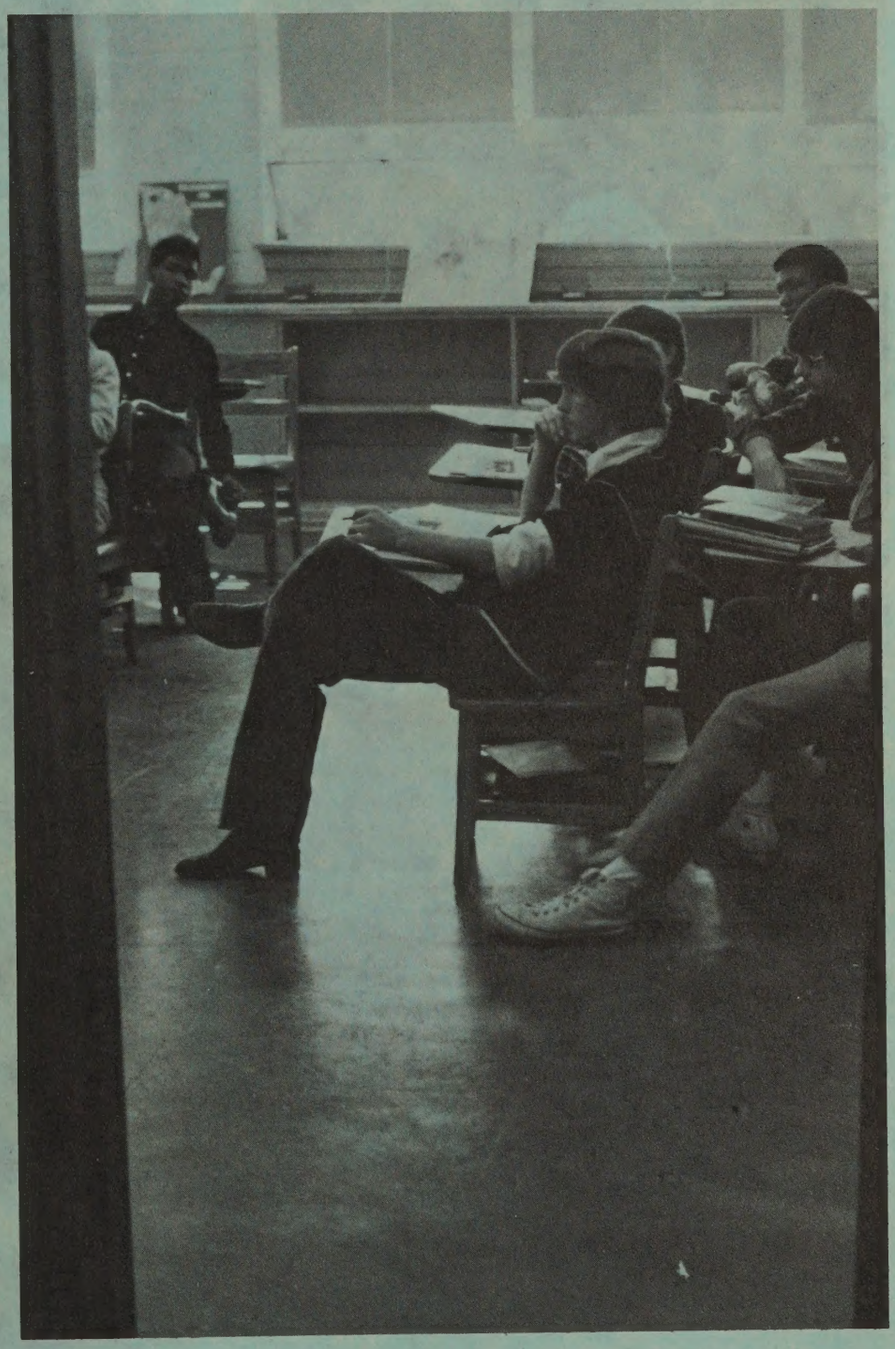
ABOVE: Robin Tench, grimacing in pain after a knee injury, has an ice pack applied by Danny Poole.

ABOVE LEFT: Members of the chorus perform at the spring choral program entitled 'Oh Happy Day.'

BELOW LEFT: During a break at homecoming practice, football sponsors and their escorts relax.

BELOW: Barry Sullivan listens closely in Mrs. Cheryl Pappas' Spanish class for instructions.



Students' tardies rise as school opens at 7:30 a.m.

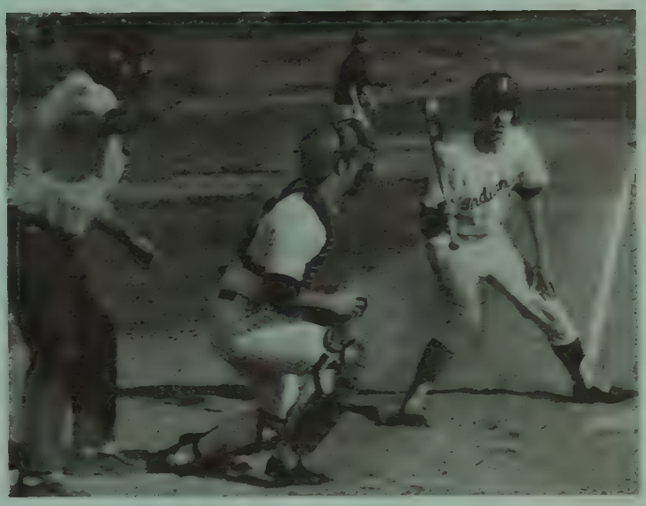
A change in the students' routine was effected by the re-scheduling of classes to begin at 7:30 a.m., an hour earlier than in years past. This resulted in increased tardies in first-period classes until students became accustomed to the new schedule. Although many grumbled about getting up before sunrise to come to school, most liked being dismissed at 2:10 each afternoon.

After becoming accustomed to the new routine; studies; and, in many instances, different surroundings, the student body settled down for another year of learning and participation. Student life involved more than the special events — homecoming, pep rallies, music programs, and the Junior-Senior Prom. It included meeting friends in the hall, participating in sports, joining clubs, and helping on committees.

Each day repeated the routine of students' attending classes and rushing to the cafeteria for lunch. The familiar sounds included "May I have your attention, please" and "Pardon this interruption" over the intercom or the three rings of the bell for Mr. Ralph Lineberger to report to the office. Progress for the school year did not get under way until late in November when the first Executive Council meeting was held.

ABOVE: Alison Smith paints signs after school to help boost school spirit for homecoming.

RIGHT: During an exciting baseball game, a student rests his tired feet, waiting for the final out.



Indians saturate season in sweat, tears, triumphs

Spring sports proved most successful for the Indians. Bright spots were numerous as the season got under way. Following hard fought games, the varsity baseball team finished in a tie for third place in the state 4-A playoffs. The Jayvee baseball team won its second consecutive city championship, posting the best record in the history of the school. Completing their season with four first place wins, the cross country team had three runners — Ronald Caton, John Day, and Randy Prunty — who made the all conference squad. Randy later competed in the state finals.

With the arrival of fall came a complete change. Triumphs turned into defeats, jubilation became sorrow, and laughs reverted to tears as the varsity football team suffered through its worst season in nine years. Players showed their dedication through grueling hours of practice but fell short of their goal to win, posting a disappointing 1-8-1 record. Inexperienced in high school football, the Jayvees also had a frustrating season.

In basketball the transfer of former Ram standout Donnie Lanier to West and three returning varsity players, had Coach Morgan Walker looking forward to his best season in several years.

ABOVE LEFT: Julie Easterling prepares to throw shot-put as members of the track team look on.

ABOVE: With two strikes and a full count, Denny Cashion shows disbelief at the call of a strike.

Clubs, organizations start year slowly, support fund

As a result of the new court-ordered assignment plan and since no officers could be elected to clubs and organizations in the spring, activities were almost nil at the beginning of the year. Although cheerleaders, flag girls, Indianettes, and majorettes were chosen in September, the clubs were slow to organize; and Student Council elections were not conducted until October 13. Not until late in the second quarter did students truly begin to be involved and to have a sense of belonging. Everyone gained experience and satisfaction while working on mutual causes of service, enjoyment, and learning.

Just as adults have their civic clubs, students had their service clubs — some sponsored by those same groups. Some clubs attempted to help the members decide what to do after high school.

One common goal of a number of groups was the Charles W. Pearson Memorial Scholarship Fund. Clubs and organizations held car washes, attic sales, and paper drives to support this cause.

ABOVE RIGHT: Joyce Ledbetter and Barbara Price blend their voices at the Festival in the Park.

ABOVE: Phyllis Faust and Cathy McKeen wait patiently for Indianette try-outs to be completed.

RIGHT: Holding up a sign, Janet Seagle advertises the car wash sponsored by the COO club.

Faculty guides students, promotes learning, values

LEFT: Biology teachers and lab assistants show the rocket equipment used in Dimensions Week.

BELOW: Mark Samuel cuts a wedge of cheese in his French class as Jerry Gilson watches.

Seeking to instruct students in scholastic areas, faculty members worked to impart knowledge gathered from their area of specialization. They attempted to create an atmosphere where those in their class could make the most of school. Helping in student-teacher relationships, the faculty assisted in the students' development, thereby increasing mutual respect.

In addition to their daily contributions, both the administration and the staff promoted extra-curricular activities. Faculty members sponsored clubs and organizations, performed duties at ball games, and supervised at social events. Their willingness to help with the extra-curricular events made students recall more than the courses taught by them: they can remember with gratitude a teacher who provided a sense of values and a sense of humor, values that endure through life.

One change in the curriculum appreciated by most seniors was the dropping of British literature as an English requirement. Interest courses were added in music and vocational areas.

Schedules, candy sale, college applications keep classes busy during fall

Anxious sophomores explored the halls of West Mecklenburg the first few days of school, trying to make the best of their situation. Meanwhile, juniors and seniors reacquainted themselves with friends and school, settling down to their regular routine.

During the first week, sophomores became accustomed to different facets of high school life. They used approximately ten minutes of every class to fill out forms. New students learned the do's and don'ts of classes and just what was expected in each. By the end of the week, sophomores were beginning to feel a part of the student body.

Junior beginning-of-the-year activities included selling candy. The Junior Class Committee sponsored this activity as a means of financing the Junior-Senior Prom. During football season, juniors worked to promote school spirit, staying after school weekly to make signs.

Senior activities varied from preparing for homecoming to electing class officers. Constructing the longest spirit chain during Homecoming Week, seniors demonstrated their enthusiasm. Some of their more serious activities included writing colleges, completing applications, and waiting for replies.

ABOVE: To help in the Pearson Memorial Fund, Melvin Crowder assists in the weekly paper drive.

RIGHT: During the first pep rally, enthusiastic juniors declare their spirit in "Victory's Cry."

LEFT: Business Manager Brenda Cannon transfers information from contracts to account book.

BELOW LEFT: Financing of the TOMAHAWK continues through winter, as bill receipts arrive weekly.

Economic situation decreases 'Tomahawk' financing

Beginning in August, the business staff sold advertisements as a means of finance for the yearbook. Using September 11 and 19 as selling days, staff members, working in groups of twos and threes, searched sections of Charlotte and surrounding areas for buyers. Contracts, after completed by the companies, were returned to Business Manager Brenda Cannon or Mrs. Peggy McCarter, business adviser. Feeling the effects of the economic situation, businesses either reduced the size of their ads or discontinued them altogether. The staff, also realizing the change, was forced to limit new innovations planned for the 1975 TOMAHAWK.

Negative changes were effected when the school board ruled that student elections be delayed until school opened in the fall. Members reasoned that some elected class officers, lettergirls, cheerleaders, and student council members would be transferred to other schools under the court-ordered reassignment plan. Four years ago under the same conditions, the board ruled that interim student council officers could be appointed in order that all schools

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would have a functioning student government organization during the summer months. This year no such ruling was made. Even though the changes were negative, shortly after school opened, elections and try-outs for Indianettes and cheerleaders were held. Students worked diligently to make up for time lost through the board's decision. Student Council members began actively planning activities designed to make those re-assigned here become a part of West.

ng among change

ABOVE: As Renee Cathy completes her vault, Lisa Smith and Mrs. Rohrman serve as spotters.

ABOVE RIGHT: For their contribution to Dimensions Week, the Westones perform in the library.

RIGHT: Mrs. Linda Beatty shows Carol Plyler and Teresa Davenport how to write up a sales slip.

'Dimensions of West' spotlight activities, abilities

Dimensions of West Mecklenburg was held the week of April 22-26. The purpose of the festivities was to spotlight activities in all areas of school life — academics, activities, achievements, and abilities. Preparations for the focus on the Dimensions of West began nearly a month prior to the week. Clubs, classes, organizations, and faculty members worked diligently to assure success of the program.

To kick off the week of festivities, Mrs. Mary Harris, who co-ordinated the activities; Montressa Barbee; and Herb Eplee appeared on WSOC-TV's "Noon Report." They discussed the program with commentator Ray Barreth. The TV station also covered activities during the week, using video footage on news programs. programs.

An open house for parents and the general public was held April 23. Displays of students' projects were set up in each department. One attraction was a tea sponsored by the CHEO for the teachers the members worked with at elementary schools in the area. Mini-concerts by the band on the lawn each day at lunch and by the Westones in the library were other features.

The horticultural students sold terrariums and hanging baskets during the week. Biology students sent up rockets with their own "Mousetranaut." The Art Department exhibited works in the showcase in the cafeteria lobby.

ABOVE LEFT: Senior Melissa Paul works diligently on a project for "Strawberry Fields Forever."

LEFT: Libby Joy shows Elaine Scott the numerous terrariums on sale during Dimensions Week.

ABOVE: The band, under the direction of Mr. Donnell Cooper, gives a mini-concert after lunch.

Symphonic Band, Trojan Stage Band, choral groups

With the coming of spring, members of the band, choir, and orchestra began practicing for the annual end-of-the school year presentations. They worked to ensure successful performances.

Spring's arrival was saluted with music May 2 as the Symphonic Band, led by Mr. Donnell Cooper, and the Olympic High School Stage Band presented the annual Spring Musicale. The major selection by the West Band was "Suite Concertante." Selections by the visiting Trojans included arrangements of songs from the forties — "In the Mood" and "A String of Pearls."

The first-rate concert presented by the choir and Westones on May 7 would convince anyone that they were a multi-faceted group. "O Happy Day," taken from a popular recording,was chosen as the theme of the program. Depicting a springtime setting, the stage was decorated with a bright colorful motif by the Westones. Flowers and a calendar on the backdrop showed that spring had arrived!

Five choir members performed solos. Cindy Jones sang the "Theme from 'Valley of the Dolls'"; later Herb Eplee presented "He Ain't Heavy, He's My Brother." Patsy Pease was featured in "Feeling"; and Beth Rose, in "Sometime." Teresa Burns, accompanied by the choir, concluded with the theme "O Happy Day."

ABOVE RIGHT: Before the Spring Concert, Cindy Underwood assists Carol Troutman during rehearsal.

ABOVE: All members of the choir concentrate on producing beautiful tone qualities as they sing.

present annual end-of-school year concert, musicale

ABOVE LEFT: Kelly McKee displays her musical skills as she rhythmically plays her cello.

LEFT: Singing "Day by Day," the choir produces a pleasant blend of voices at their concert.

ABOVE: Helping the orchestra director, Ann Mozeley assists in selecting some arrangements.

Juniors plan nostalgic event, choose 'Saturday in

Memories of nostalgia, joy, festive moods and tenderness will live for many years to come for those who attended the Junior-Senior Prom, May 17. "Saturday in the Park" was the theme for the special event.

Supervised by Mrs. Jean Avery, prom adviser, the Junior Class Executive Committee worked to make the occasion memorable. Working until almost midnight on May 16, the underclassmen created the theme setting for the prom by transforming the Ranson Mall into a park complete with cherry trees and a park bench.

From nine to twelve, the music of the Catalinas echoed throughout the mall. Couples danced, chatted, or enjoyed refreshments prepared by Mrs. Virginia Scott and her cafeteria staff. During intermission, officers of both classes were introduced. Each senior who attended received an engraved charm to commemorate the evening.

All too soon the midnight hour arrived, and couples hurriedly left to previously planned, rollicking post-prom parties. The next day Mrs. Avery and her junior committees wearily cleaned the mall while most seniors who had attended the prom slept late.

ABOVE RIGHT: Assembling in the Ranson Mall, couples dance to one of the Catalinas' slower songs.

ABOVE: Couples enjoy the refreshments and conversation as they listen to the contemporary music.

RIGHT: Members of the Catalinas perform the theme "Saturday in the Park" for the couples.

the Park' for prom's theme; Catalinas provide music

TOP RIGHT: To preserve the memories of the night, couples pay to have their portraits made.

LEFT: Senior Mark Tadlock and his date Cindy Nixon, and Mr. and Mrs. Vance Schrum enjoy a dance.

ABOVE: Mr. Kenneth Cherry finds time to indulge in some refreshing snacks and conversation.

Participants, cheerleaders honored at banquet

Wrapping up memories of long hours of practice, victories, and defeats, athletes and cheerleaders enjoyed the annual Athletic Banquet as a final get together. The school cafeteria was the scene of the gathering May 27. Different awards — varsity letters, certificates, and emblems — were presented according to the number of years a member was active in his respective sport.

After the meal, award presentations were made by the coach of each sport and cheerleader adviser. Principal Freddy Leger assisted them. An unexpected recognition came to baseball team members. Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Davenport, parents of the late Dave Davenport, gave them, the coaches, and assistants a gift in Dave's memory. Having loved the game but being unable to take part, Dave was team manager before his death March 4, 1974.

Highlighting the evening was the presentation of the coveted Rusty Meacham Award to Jackie Blair.

ABOVE RIGHT: Coach Ron Patterson looks on as Tony Bouler accepts his plaque from Chris Young.

RIGHT: Mr. Leger and Coach Bolick stand by after Mike Sheppard and André Springs receive awards.

LEFT: For creating school spirit, Mr. Leger hands Debbie Christianson and Kim Burns awards.

BELOW LEFT: After receiving his letter and certificate for wrestling, Jerry Handy walks away.

BELOW: Laura Thomas, Denise Young, Cindy Thompson, and Beth Sides receive letters for tennis.

Seniors meet challenges, receive honors, awards

After all the year's challenges were met, many deserving students were rewarded for their talents, accomplishments, leadership, and distinguished ability at the annual Awards Day program, May 24. Attired in their maroon robes and caps and escorted by the junior marshals, members of the Senior Class marched into the auditorium to the strains of "Pomp and Circumstance," played by the band. Senior Class Chairman Sherry Harris extended greetings to all the parents and platform guests. Following the invocation, Mike Hickman sang "The Lord's Prayer."

Awards from area businesses were presented to Carol Guthrie, Terry Hord, Sammy McCord, and Vanessa Stephenson. The five **Charlotte News** *All Star Scholars — Milton Auman, Libby Benjamin, Mike Hickman, Steve Jackson, and Patsy Pease — received certificates of merit. Citizenship awards went to Libby Benjamin, Alan Capps, Steve Jackson, and Melia Lyerly.*

Following these presentations the choir sang two selections. After these, the school awards were given out. At the conclusion of the program, Principal Freddy Leger announced the ten top academic seniors. Since four seniors had tied for tenth place, thirteen names were announced.

ABOVE RIGHT: Miss Stephens recognizes Libby Benjamin as a **Charlotte News** *All Star Scholar.*

ABOVE: Platform guests stand as the Class of '74 marches in during the Awards Day ceremony.

RIGHT: Seniors dressed in the traditional graduation robes wait for the presentations to begin.

LEFT: Elaine Primm, '74 **Tomahawk** *co-editor shows the first copy of the annual to the Senior Class.*

BELOW: Administration members and former Mayor Stan Brookshire enjoy the meal at the banquet.

BELOW LEFT: After being served, Susan Lawing and Tim Edmonson take their trays to a table.

Seniors presented '74 yearbooks at class banquet

Wrapping up their memories of work and fun, seniors enjoyed a class banquet on May 20 as one of their final get togethers when they received their '74 **Tomahawks.** *The banquet, which replaced the traditional class breakfast, gave the upperclassmen an opportunity to receive their annuals early and to have them signed at a party after the banquet.*

Following the presentation of the first copies of the yearbook to Principal Freddy Leger and Einar Stenstalvold, Representative Jo Graham Foster introduced Mr. Stan Brookshire, the former mayor of Charlotte and chairman of the Dimensions for Charlotte-Mecklenburg Committee. Mr. Brookshire presented the **Tomahawk** *staffers a certificate in appreciation for their outstanding work in using "Quests for New Dimensions" as the theme of the annual. Newsmen from WSOC-TV covered the banquet and the award presentation. Yearbooks were distributed to the seniors, who, after finding their pictures in them, lingered to sign their friends' annuals.*

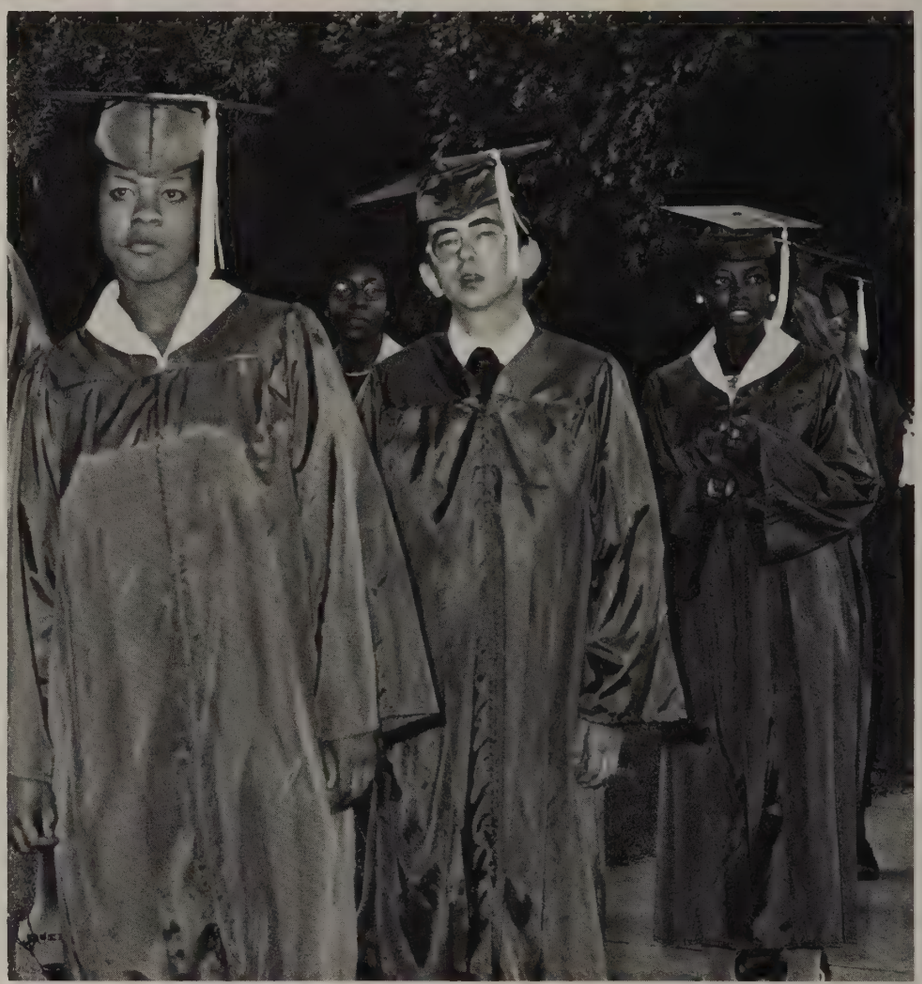
Upperclassmen experience changes, new realities

After experiencing many changes during the last three years, the 448 members of the 1974 graduating class looked ahead to the new realities promised by the future. As the 8:00 p.m. hour approached June 6, seniors ceased their nervous fidgeting of caps and tassels. While the Junior Marshals led them into Ovens Auditorium, the orchestra played "Pomp and Circumstance," *which traditionally suggests an ending to twelve years of school and signifies a new bebinning in the adult world with its uncertainties.*

Fulfilling one segment of their duties, marshals checked tickets carefully at the doors before anyone was allowed to enter. Even though seniors were given only four tickets, Ovens with its limited seating capacity was still filled with parents — some sitting, some standing.

Following a speech by Mr. Phillip James Kirk, personal aide to Governor Jim Holshouser, seniors were presented their diplomas by Principal Freddy Leger. While the graduates received them, bulbs flashed as proud parents made pictures of the events.

As the ceremony ended with Mike Hickman singing "Eternal Life," changes in the school's program became insignificant as seniors contemplated changes which the future held.



ABOVE RIGHT: Attired in traditional cap and gown, seniors wait for the ceremonies to begin.

FRONT ROW: Kathy Hart, Dana Turpin, Beth Rose, Lee Ann Elmore, Hazel Blackburn, Toni Smith, Barbara Leatherman, Debbie Irvin, Cheri Homzak, Brenda Cannon. SECOND ROW: Cathy Ramseur, Sharon Whilden, Rhonda Klein, Janet Gupton, Pam Bridges, Peggy Harrington, Julie Easterling, Delaine Brown. UPPER LEVEL: Frankie Mullis, Paul Bradley, Jeff Forrester, Jimmy Pinkston.

ABOVE LEFT: Twelve years of work are ended as Bobby Atkinson receives his diploma from Mr. Leger.

ABOVE: Junior Marshal Julie Easterling waits with seniors for first strains of the processional.

LEFT: Senior graduates anticipate the future as they prepare to leave graduation ceremonies.

Spring-like weather brings dreams of days at O.D.

Those "crazy, lazy" days of spring sent the imagination of many students scurrying from the ski slopes of Seven Devils or Beech Mountain to dreams of days at O.D. or other places. However, some were making plans to represent the school at Girls' State, Boys' State, Governor's School, or workshops.

Janice Brady and Tina Dixon took part in Girls' State on the campus of UNC-G, while Paul Bradley and George Robinson attended Boys' State at Wake Forest University. Anne Mozeley studied the violin and performed with the orchestra at Governor's School. Laurea O'Shields studied the latest journalistic techniques at a yearbook workshop at Furman University.

For many, summer was filled with work, but others travelled to "Far away places with strange sounding names." Brenda Cannon was the foreign exchange student to Finland. Chaperoned by Mrs. Jean Avery and her husband, thirty-five students went on a Carribean cruise. They left Charlotte on July 11 and traveled to Disney World. From there, they went to Miami where they boarded the T.S.S. Mardi Gras bound for ports on the Carribean; they returned to Charlotte on July 22.

During his stay at Boys' State, George Robinson and classmates discuss one of many graphs.

ABOVE: At his job at Carowinds, Tom Query proves that the hand is quicker than the eye.

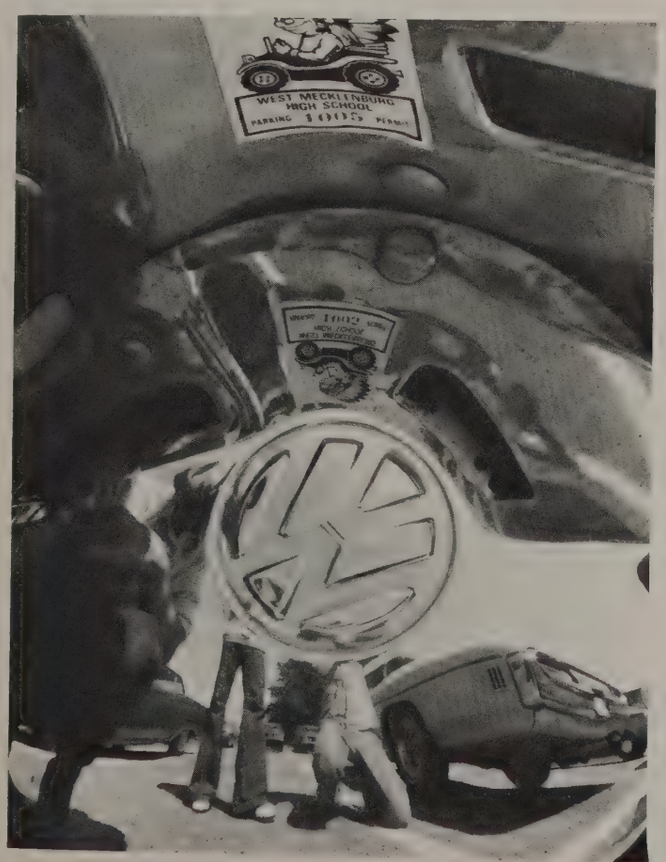
RIGHT: Jodie Todd, Carolyn Kirby, and Melissa Paul dine in elegance on the **T.S.S. Mardi Gras.**

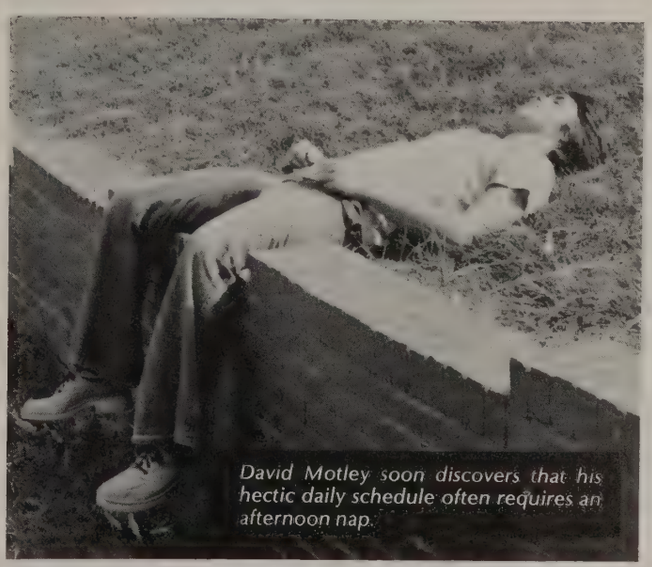
Underclassmen receive school assignment in August

With Judge James B. McMillan spinning the wheel of fortune for the entire school system, sophomores and juniors did not know until early in August where they would be attending school. West was to lose in the total enrollment and in teacher allotment. All incoming underclassmen had to be guided over the campus, since many juniors had previously attended other area high schools. Sophomores and new students became familiar with the school at an open house held the day before school began.

With the opening of school on August 26, students had to leave behind those "crazy, lazy days of summer." Some had spent their vacation working, many at Carowinds theme park. Others had represented the school at Boys' State, Girls' State, Governor's School, and at conferences. Several accompanied Mrs. Jean Avery on a trip to Disney World and on a Carribean cruise.

Students, working, learning, and sharing, soon settled into their daily routine and began to cope with studies. For the first few weeks, they made out what seemed to be countless copies of their schedules. The sophomores also had pictures made for their I.D. cards; they needed them to check out books in the library.





David Motley soon discovers that his hectic daily schedule often requires an afternoon nap.

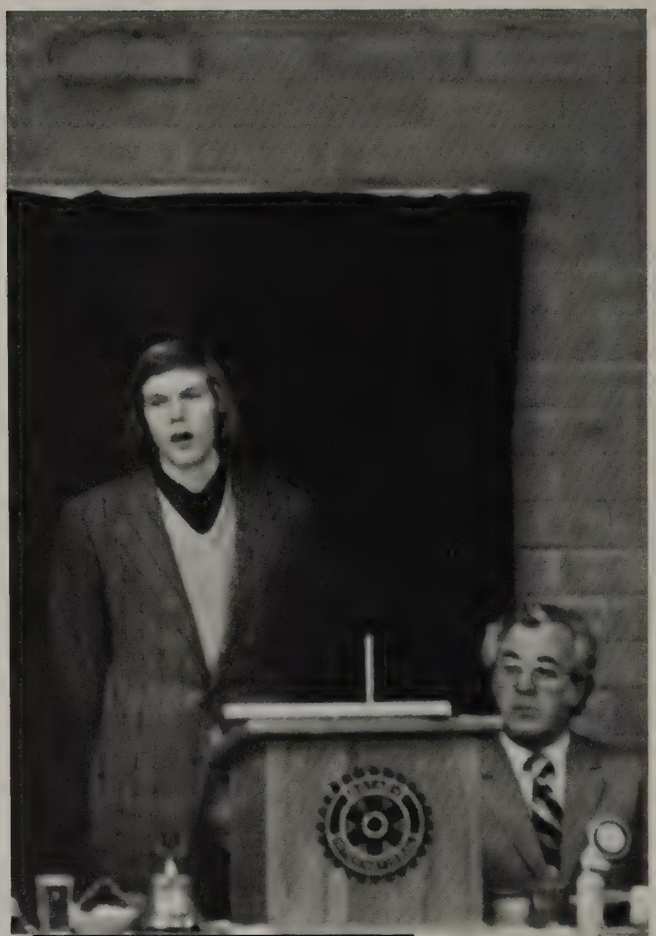
ABOVE LEFT: Mike Stilwell, Jill Butler, and Stephanie Best wait to have I.D. pictures made.

LEFT: With the expenses of a new year, the purchase of a parking sticker was not a happy one.

Students learn customs, culture

Representing the school as a foreign exchange student, Brenda Cannon lived for eight weeks with Eva Meyer and her family in Borga, Finland, where she learned about the customs of the Finnish people. According to Brenda she learned enough of the language to get by. During her stay she went to Helsinki and to the Artic Circle. Of the food, Brenda stated she liked most of it, and her favorite was hapankorpuja (a sour bread).

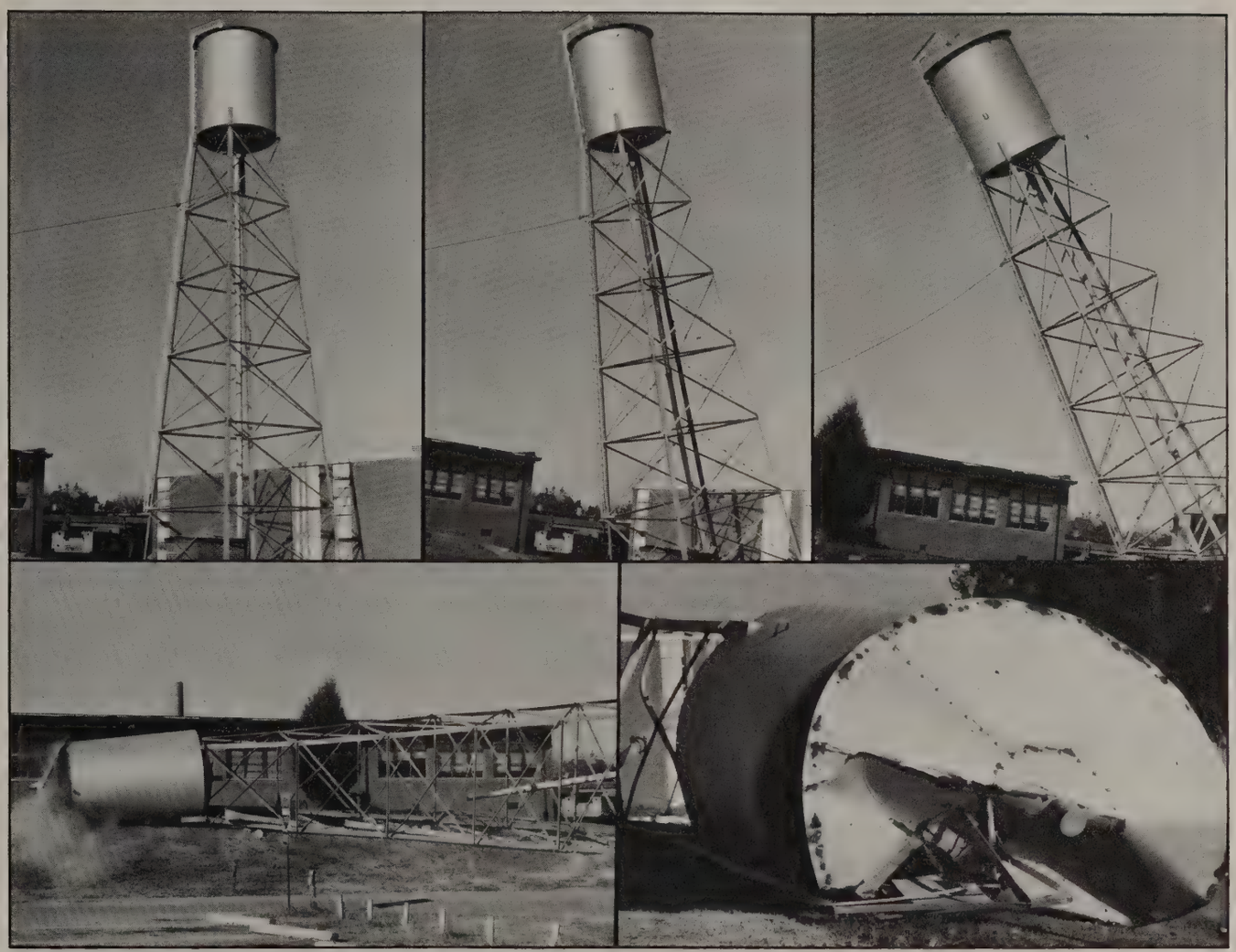
Attending the school as foreign exchange student was Klaus Kristensen from Denmark. He became involved in school activities after arriving in August and served as the foreign exchange editor on the Bow and Arrow.



Klaus Kristensen speaks of life in Denmark at a meeting of the West Charlotte Rotary Club.

ABOVE: Brenda Cannon and her Finnish sister enjoy a lunch of bread, butter, sausage, and yogurt.

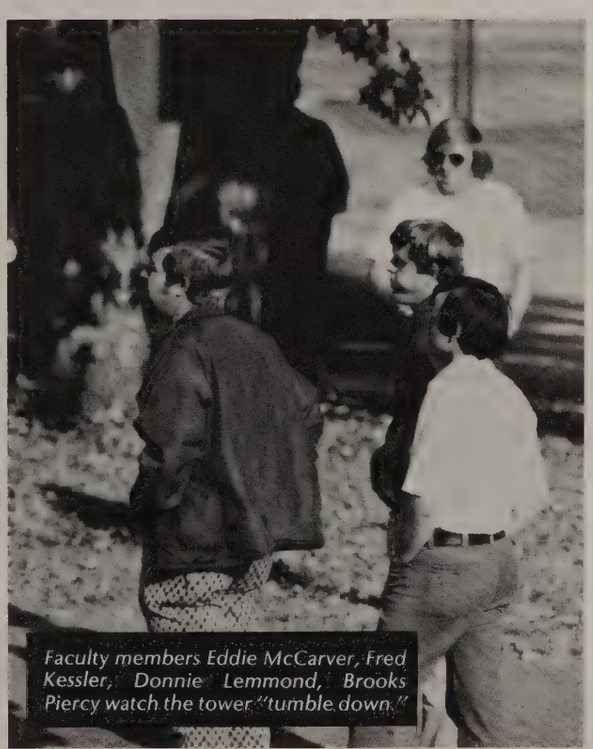
RIGHT: Stealing a moment from their daily routine, Brenda and Eva read in a sunny meadow.



Landmark 'tumbles down,' ending era, challenges

On November 4 a landmark, which had stood for approximately twenty-four years, came "tumbling down." This was the tower erected when the school was built in 1950 to store the water supply for the student body. The tower had long been out of use because the region had changed over the years from a rural one to a metropolitan area, and the school had been put on city water.

No longer would the structure offer a challenge to students wanting to climb it to paint their class year on it. In some instances over the years, several succeeded. With the removal of the tower, an era ended as changes continued to alter the appearance of the campus.



Faculty members Eddie McCarver, Fred Kessler, Donnie Lemmond, Brooks Piercy watch the tower "tumble down."

'74-75 school year reflects national, local changes

Changes. At no time in history were changes more evident than in the '74-'75 school year. Students lived through a first — the resignation of a President and a Chief Executive taking power whom the people had not elected. The name Watergate came to represent corruption in government, while the term "expletive deleted" became a joke. Students saw a national crisis as energy continued to be a big issue and as unemployment began to rise.

The local scene was not without changes. Disclosure of an alleged "slush fund" led to an investigation of Southern Bell. Also, a World Football League found a home in Charlotte.

Students still shivered because of the lower heat in the rooms caused by the energy crisis. Classes at 7:30, an hour earlier than previous years, caused them to arrive at school very sleepy.

ABOVE: The sign on campus is covered with ice providing students with a holiday February 4.

ABOVE RIGHT: Working after school, Jane Littlejohn rings up groceries at a local supermarket.

RIGHT: Wes Parker reaches to turn the school clock back, to indicate the new 7:30 starting time.

Chorus members, band present fall "Hootenanny"

Students enrolled in Chorus I, theory, and music fundamentals, along with members of the band presented a program to selected third-period classes November 21. The musicians and singers called their show a "Hootenanny." Dressed in mountaineer clothing, the group performed ballads and spirituals.

Featured on the program was Linda Estes who played "Shenandoah" as a flute solo. She was accompanied by Carol Troutman. Linda also played "Every Time I Feel the Spirit."

Gary Pope and Ronnie Huggins played two songs, "I Shall Be Released" and "Knockin' on Heaven's Door," as a guitar duet.

Some of the selections by the choir included "Singing on the Mountain," "If I Had a Hammer," and "Go Tell It on the Mountain." Accompanists were Nita Lutz, Mark McIntyre, and David Morgan.

Three girls — Nancy Blackburn, Susan Burrell, and Lori Stromberg — sang "A-round the Corner." Concluding the program, the choir performed "On Top of Old Smokey."

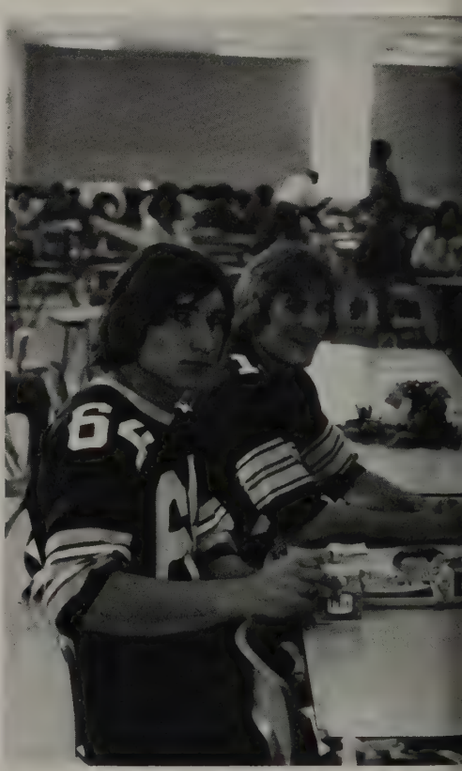
TOP LEFT: Chorus members perform "On Top of Old Smokey" on their homemade instruments.

ABOVE: Taking advantage of the minutes before the show, Gary Pope rehearses with Ronnie Huggins.

Pre-homecoming activities help make week spirited

Pep rallies, pom-poms, Stomp 'Em Day, Lick 'Em Day, and sign painting parties all served to make the week before homecoming a spirited one. Cheerleaders sold maroon and white pom-poms while Spirit Committee members joined in the effort by sponsoring a spirit chain contest. On Stomp 'Em Day all students were urged to participate by wearing "good stompin'" boots. Suckers were sold on Lick 'Em Day. A boisterous pep rally concluded the week of events.

Meanwhile Mrs. Mary Harris and members of the Interclub Council worked together to develop a suitable theme. After much deliberation, they selected "Love Is . . ." as it could involve all chartered clubs. Each organization painted a large banner which selected representatives carried onto the field at halftime.



ABOVE RIGHT: Peggy Harrington, Mrs. Harris, and Debbie Christianson make plans for homecoming.

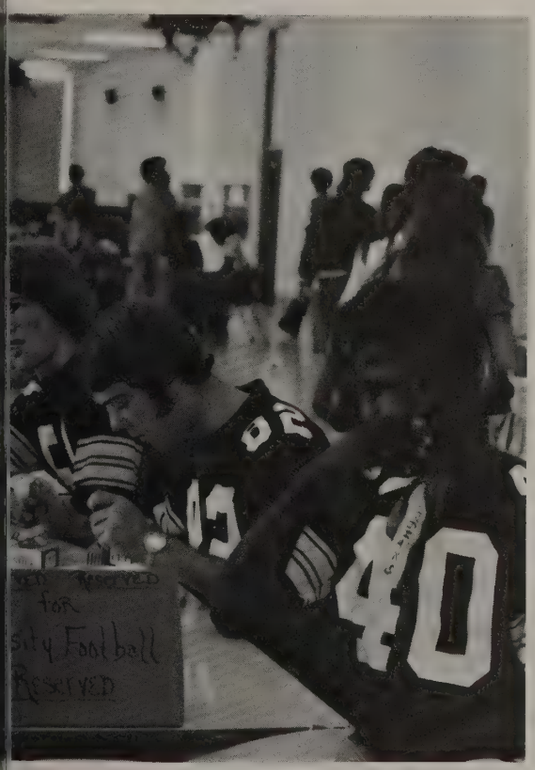
ABOVE: Three students show their spirit by wearing "fashionable footwear" during Stomp 'Em Day.

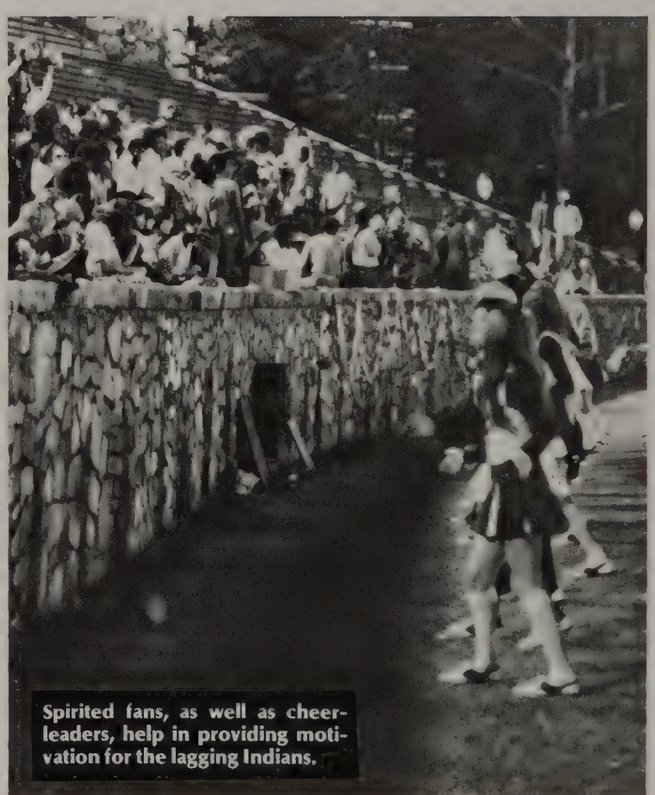
RIGHT: During homecoming week, varsity football players sit at a cafeteria table reserved for them.

LEFT: Junior Bill Lane shows his spirit by purchasing a pom-pom from cheerleader Janet Moore.

BELOW: Robin Porter diligently works to complete her sign for the homecoming halftime show.

BOTTOM: Sponsors await direction for finding their positions on the field during a halftime rehearsal.





Spirited fans, as well as cheerleaders, help in providing motivation for the lagging Indians.

ABOVE LEFT: Halfback Albert Evans sweeps around left end for an Indian touchdown.

ABOVE RIGHT: Dana Turpin expresses delight after her crowning by former queen Tina Nance.

ABOVE: Members of the homecoming court anxiously anticipate the announcement of the new queen.

New changes, old traditions highlight homecoming

LEFT: Staffers Bruce Wellmon and Mary Ann Guy display annual sign during homecoming halftime.

Homecoming is . . . a week of activities, a pep rally, a reunion of graduates from other years, a new queen crowned, an exciting football halftime show, and a football game. New changes and old traditions marked the 1974 homecoming festivities.

Preparations by members of the Interclub Council, begun weeks before November 1, culminated in a spectacular event at halftime. The Council's first task had been to select a theme, and they chose "Love Is . . ." Members decided to depart from the tradition of not announcing the theme until halftime. This enabled all the groups to paint the name of their clubs or organizations on banners which they would carry onto the field during halftime and to write their definition of "Love Is . . .," which would be read over the public address system.

Tension mounted as kick-off time approached. Would the Indians' defense be able to hold back the aggressive Sabres? The young Tribesmen just couldn't do it, but they did manage a 13-13 deadlock. The Jayvee cheerleaders, not the varsity, were responsible for leading the crowd in cheers. This was a departure from the established tradition.

In an election by the seniors, five finalists — Mary Blair, Teresa Burns, Cathy McCall, Cynthia McMurray, and Dana Turpin were chosen as the homecoming court with Dana reigning as queen.

FRONT ROW: Cathy Jackson, Phyllis Faust, Carol Guthrie, Gloria Frazier, Marsha Dellinger, Brian Park, Robbin Kilgore, Andre Springs, Senetra Chambers, Dee Dee Maxwell, Teresa Hasty, Michael Davis. SECOND ROW: Molly Hall, Darrell Avery, Clara Kennedy, Felton Jones, Gerri Smith, Ken Scott, Tina Dixon, David French, Vickie Guy, Don Smith, Steve Mozeley, Regina Lowery, Tyrone Massey. BACK ROW: Janet Gupton, Barry Youngblood, Beth Rose, Robbie Gathings, Teresa Bradshaw, Barry Blankenship, Brenda Cannon, David Motley, Janet Moore, Eddy Roland.

Middleclassmen solve problem as class undertakes

Junior Class members transformed into door-to-door salesmen for the candy sale which solved the problem of financing the only social event of the year — the Junior-Senior Prom.

Students worked to win prizes donated by local merchants. More than once they were turned down after ringing a doorbell. But often, customers, remembering their own junior-senior days, willingly purchased the Whitman's candy.

An assembly for the class helped kick off the two-week sale. Mrs. Jean Avery and Mr. Vance Schrum, advisers, gave a pep talk to help motivate the juniors. In a skit, middleclassmen moaned they could not have a prom because of the lack of money. Dressed in a long cape, the Candy Man, alias Mr. Fred Kessler, came to their rescue. Announcing "Never fear, the Candy Man is here," he proceeded to tell them how they could finance a prom and win prizes at the same time.

Throughout the week, homeroom candy chairmen collected money and gave out ticket stubs. At the end of third period, Mr. Kessler announced the winning numbers, and excited students picked up prizes from Mr. Schrum.

When the week of knocking on doors ended, Mrs. Avery's students had topped the other homerooms. They enjoyed free meals at Hardee's and McDonald's. Mike Hovis and Sharon Dimsdale won the grand prizes — ten speed bikes. Other juniors had upset stomachs from eating too much candy.

Robin Rozzelle expresses delight at winning a huge stuffed dog during the last candy sale ticket drawing.

LEFT: Hoping to become a winner Ellen Williford checks ticket stubs during a morning drawing.

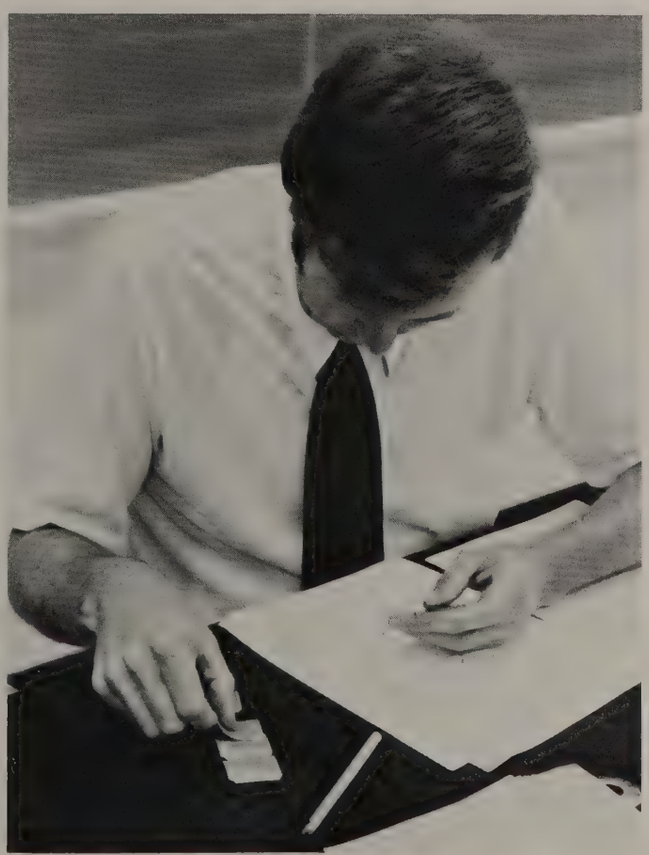
ABOVE: Homeroom candy sale chairmen perform an amusing skit for the third period assembly.

candy sale to raise funds for Junior-Senior Prom

LEFT: Mr. Fred Kesseler perks up the end of third period with unique candy sale announcements.

BELOW LEFT: Joining in the fun, Mr. John Day checks ticket stubs in hope of winning a prize.

BELOW: David French, Mrs. Avery and Libby Blythe enjoy their hard-earned trip to Hardee's.



ABOVE: Carrousel princess Carol Guthrie smiles as she waves at the chilly Carrousel parade.

ABOVE RIGHT: Marching along, vivacious cheerleaders recognize friends in the Thanksgiving parade.

RIGHT: Band members promote spirit during their march along the route during the holiday parade.

FAR RIGHT: Klaus Kristensen, foreign exchange student from Denmark, participates in the festivities.

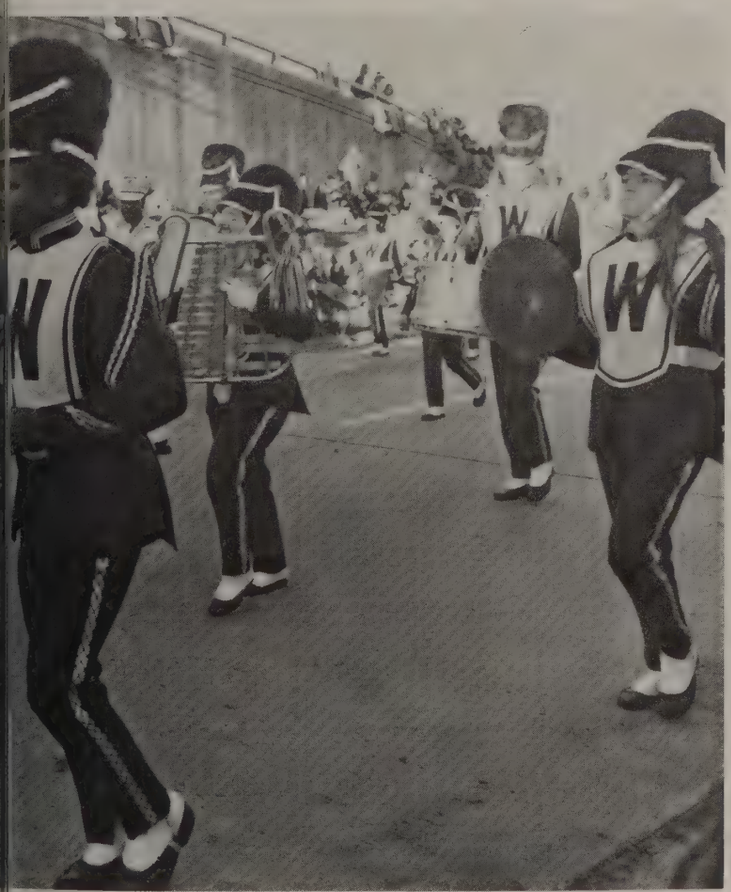
Spectators see parade with Indian participants

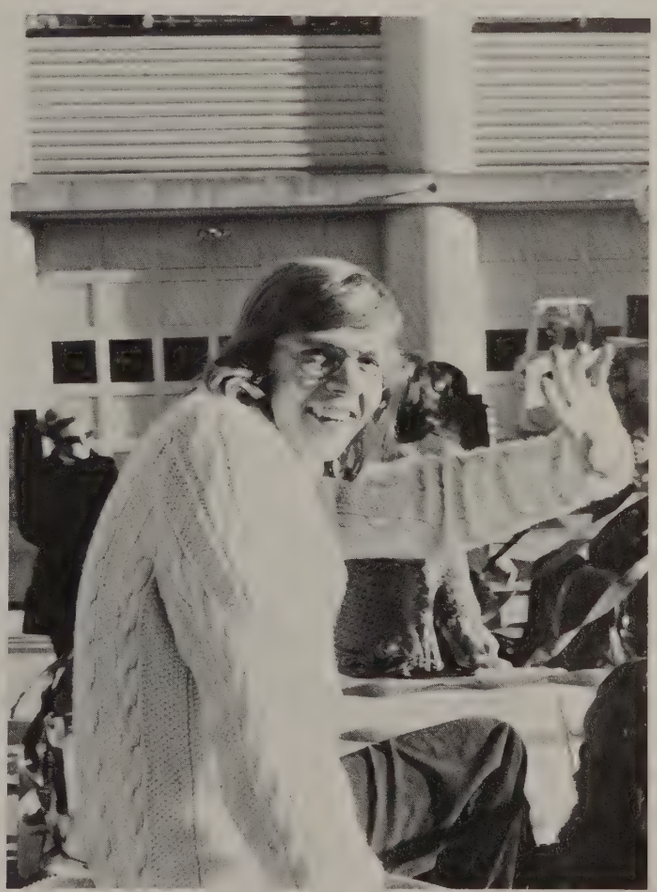
The lines from the pop classic "I Love a Parade" were true for thousands of spectators as they watched the Carrousel Parade on Thanksgiving Day, November 24. Lining the parade route, the people enjoyed watching high stepping majorettes, precision marching bands, colorful floats, and beauty queens.

As in previous years, the school was represented by the Marching Indians, cheerleaders, Indianettes, and a Carrousel princess. After submitting a picture and being interviewed by a faculty-student committee, Carol Guthrie was chosen to reign as princess.

In spite of the two-mile walk over the parade route, the band, under the direction of Mr. Donnell Cooper, marched proudly as Gary Pope, drum major, led them. The majorettes, flag girls, cheerleaders, and Indianettes continued to smile and to display the maroon and white colors even though their feet ached.

Included in the parade was Klaus Kristensen, foreign exchange student from Denmark. He and the exchange students from the other nine Charlotte-Mecklenburg high schools got a first hand look at a Carolina tradition. Riding in a convertible, Klaus exhibited curiosity, as well as enjoyment, in being part of the excitement.



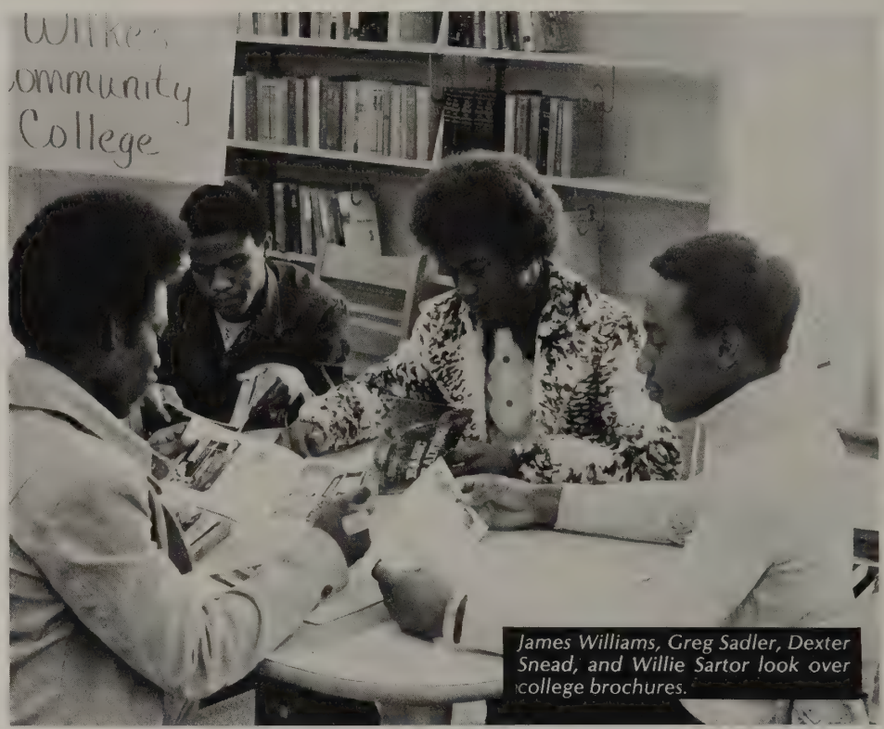


Seniors discuss requirements with representatives

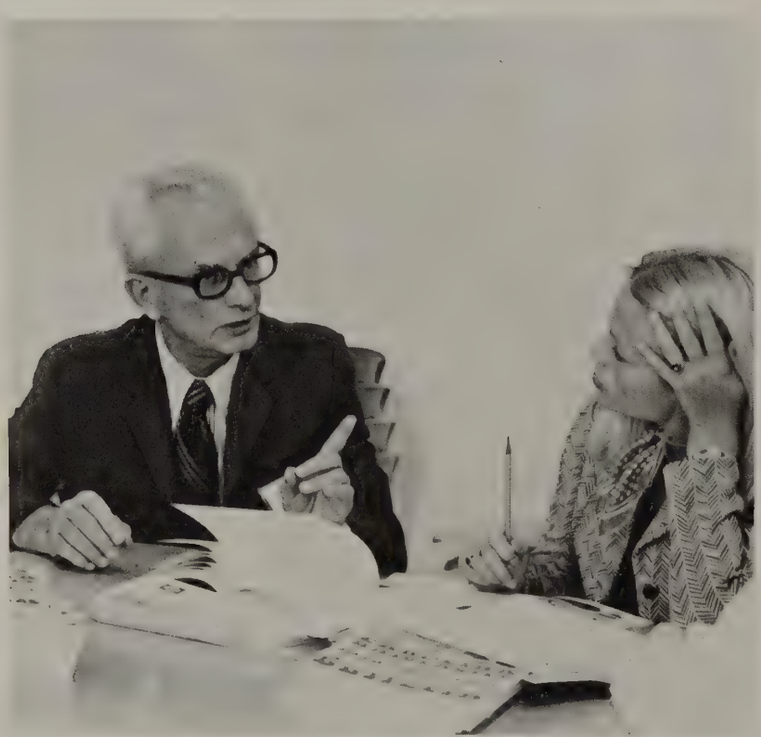
The second Post Secondary Opportunity Day for seniors was arranged by the guidance counselors. Breaking the daily routine of classes on November 14, it gave seniors a chance to meet representatives from over one hundred colleges and universities, as well as technical and trade schools in the area. Students could discuss requirements, financial aid, and availability of scholarships with the representatives from these schools. Even though these things were asked most often, other items of concern to the seniors were the courses offered and types of activities open to students.

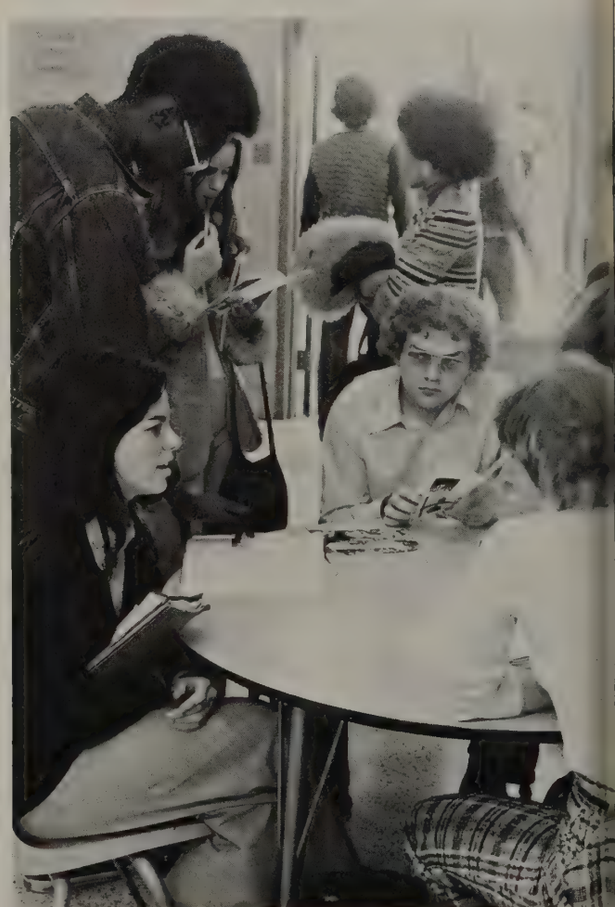
BELOW: Molly Hall listens as the East Carolina University representative describes his school.

BELOW RIGHT: Cathy McCall, Ivan Pharr, Jeanette Branch, and Jerry Gilson look over catalogues.



James Williams, Greg Sadler, Dexter Snead, and Willie Sartor look over college brochures.

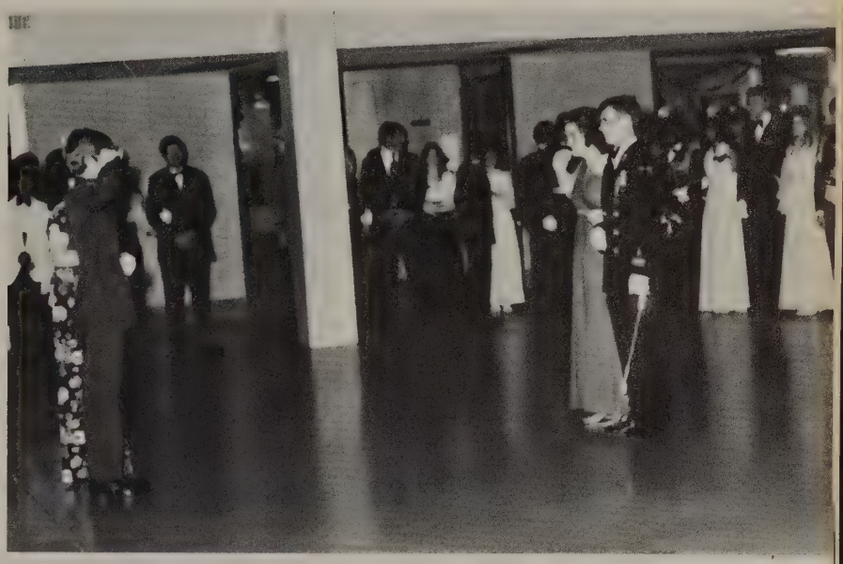




LEFT: Ken Featherstone fulfills his duty of announcing the West ROTC officers and their dates.

BELOW: During the Grand March, officers Connie Bennett and Jimmy Jones salute each other.

BELOW RIGHT: Serving as master of ceremonies, Tim Helms introduces the band for the evening.



West cadets attend annual ROTC Military Ball

Decorations of green and gold streamers and a large Christmas tree set the mood for the annual ROTC Military Ball, December 14 at 8:00 p.m. Cadets from the ten area high schools gathered in the mall of Independence High School for a night filled with dancing and military protocol.

Serving as master of ceremonies was Second Lieutenant Tim Helms. During the grand march, he announced the officers, their dates, and queens of each high school. Robin Bolick and Sherry Johnston were recognized as co-queens from West.

With formalities completed, everyone relaxed and danced to the music provided by the 108th Division Military Band. Refreshments were served during each intermission. When the clock reached twelve signifying the end of the ball, weary couples slowly filed from the mall. Some were reliving their memories of this, their last ball, while others were anticipating the possibilities of the next one.

Christmas season highlighted by plays, programs

As the Christmas season approached, preparations for special music programs and projects got under way. The orchestra, choir, and Westones began hectic preparations for their combined Christmas concert, December 12. The groups spent countless hours in after-school practice. The feeling of success erased all memories of being tired. Accompanied by the orchestra, the choir performed "Rockin' St. Nick" and other Christmas tunes. The Westones sang more serious songs including "A Child's Christmas." Orchestra members not only accompanied but were also featured in several numbers. The performers conveyed Christmas spirit to the audience.

Adding to the goodwill, the Key Club and Civinettes journeyed to Green Acress Rest Home. While opening gifts, the elderly people enjoyed a comical version of "The Night Before Christmas" enacted by Key Club member Mike King. The members led in singing of old-fashioned Christmas carols and provided refreshments.

ABOVE RIGHT: In preparation for filming, the French IV class hangs stockings on a prop chimney.

ABOVE: The orchestra and combined choirs join for a number during the annual Christmas program.

ABOVE LEFT: With ornaments and creative ideas, seniors decorate the Senior Christmas Tree.

LEFT: Sophomore Ronnie Townsend's drum solo enlivens a number during the Christmas concert.

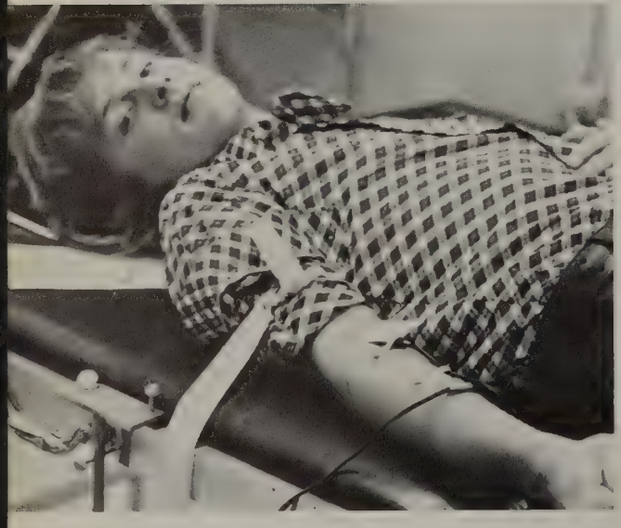
ABOVE: Contributing to the festive mood, members of the Westones perform "A Child's Christmas."

Red Cross sets up unit; students offer services

Since January was designated as National Blood Month, the Red Cross Bloodmobile was set up at the gym January 16. Students who had served as Red Cross volunteers and Candy Stripers offered their services.

Students over seventeen years old and teachers were given the opportunity to donate a pint of blood. While many were enthusiastic about doing so, over twenty could not be donors because of previous illness or blood deficiency. Being assured of free blood for family members was one factor that attributed to the numbers of participants in the "Give-in," sponsored by the Red Cross Club.

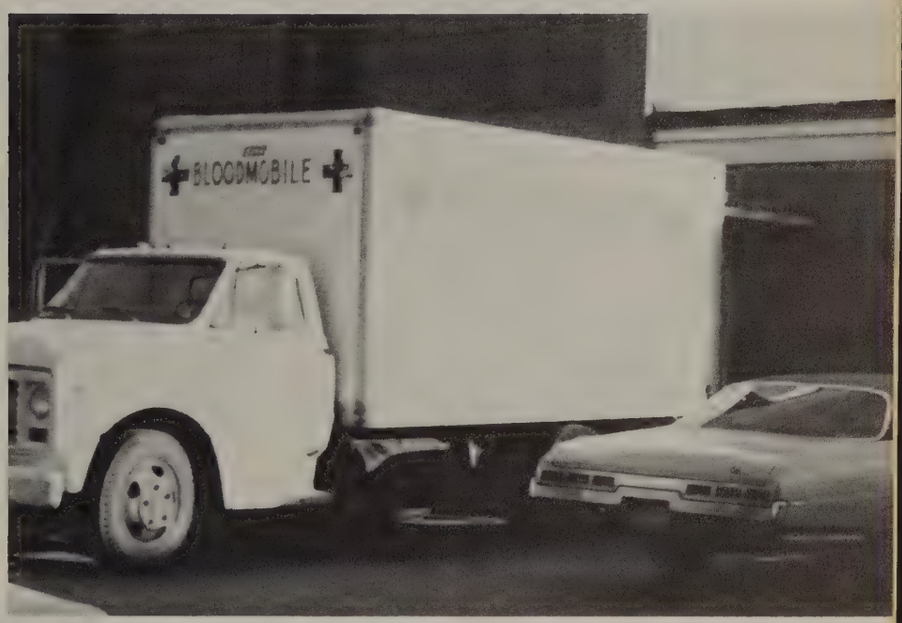
While the goal of one hundred pints was not met, the day was termed a success. Donors were aware that their blood possibly could save someone's life in the future. Donors neither complained about missing classtime nor about being served refreshments.

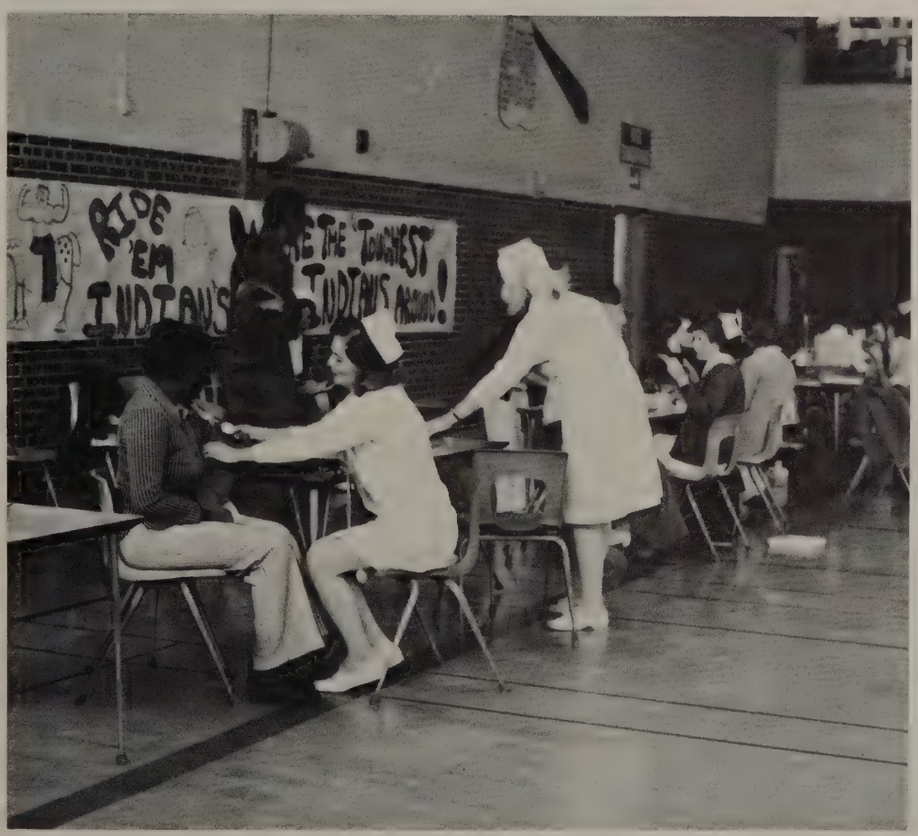


TOP RIGHT: A cameraman photographs Carol Troutman for a WBTV news story featuring the "Give-in."

ABOVE: Brent Mullen fulfills his pledge to help reach the goal by donating a pint of blood.

RIGHT: A nurse extracts blood from Ray Lewis' finger to determine the level of his sugar content.





ABOVE LEFT: Waiting for a donor to come to her station, Carol Guthrie enjoys a moment of rest.

ABOVE: The Red Cross Bloodmobile is parked ready for unloading equipment to be set up in the gym.

LEFT: Students are sent to each station to be questioned and to have their blood pressure taken.

Entertainers have big success with M*A*S*H*

*After many hours of memorization, staging, and after school rehearsals, the Drama Department, alias "The Entertainers," produced the comedy M*A*S*H*. Tickets for the two performances, held February 20 and 21, were sold during lunch in the cafeteria lobby. Shows began at 7:30 P.M.*

With Mrs. Peggy Horn directing the cast of talented actresses and actors, opening night proved to be a great success even though the auditorium was not filled to capacity. The amusing antics of Hawkeye Pierce and Trapper John, or Tom Query and Gary Hunsucker, kept the audience laughing while Colonel Henry Blake, West Parker, was constantly battling to maintain his sanity. Hoards of laughter filled the auditorium when Mr. Fred Kessler, attired as Corporal Clinger, walked onto the stage.

*ABOVE: Tom Query spends countless hours on stage in afternoon rehearsals for M*A*S*H*.*

RIGHT: John Black explains to Hawkeye that he is called "Ugly" because he is so good-looking.

*BELOW: Glenn Dunn and Linda Estes perform "Suicide Is Painless," the theme song from M*A*S*H*.*

Club sponsors Foreign Language Week

Sponsored by the French Club, Foreign Language Week was held February 24-28. Several activities were planned for the week. These included a sidewalk cafe featuring French pastries which students could purchase, a poster contest, and a banquet.

"A Smile Means the Same in Every Language" was used as the theme of the poster contest.

Ending the week was a banquet attended by members of the French and Spanish classes, who were joined by students in the foreign language departments at Harding High School and in the area junior high schools — Coulwood, Northwest, Spaugh, and Wilson.

LEFT: Costumed representing their countries, David Morgan, Toni Smith wait to be served.

BELOW: To end their week of festivities, participants in Foreign Language Week enjoy a banquet.

Students receive awards for perseverance, talents

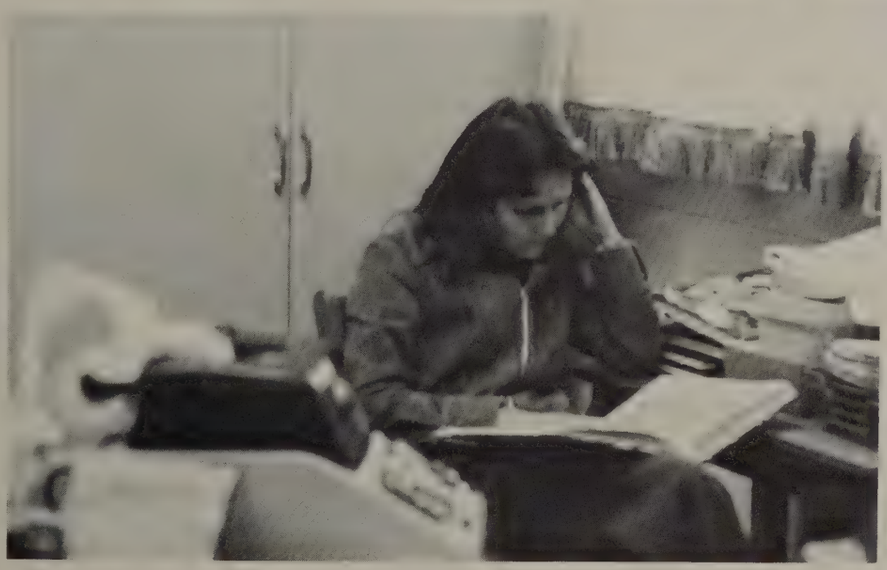
Even though homework is often tedious and trying, those students who persevere always find their efforts are amply rewarded. Every year several students are elected to the Society of Distinguished American High School Students. Twelve students from this school were selected. They included Paul Bradley, Pam Bridges, Brenda Cannon, Julie Easterling, Lee Ann Elmore, Janet Gupton, Kathy Hart, Cheri Homzak, Barbara Leatherman, Jimmy Pinkston, Cathy Ramsaur, and Toni Smith. Selection is based on scholastic ability and extra-curricular activities in school, church, and community.

Receiving a first-time award for a girl enrolled in ROTC was Connie Bennett. With a record of outstanding merits, she was recognized for her good citizenship by the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Two students found their long hours of practice rewarded. Ann Mozeley and Amy Moore were recognized for their musical ability. Ann, for the second year, was chosen as a member of the All-State Orchestra. Amy Moore was selected as a member of the All-State Band.

ABOVE RIGHT: During an area meet, Julie Easterling demonstrates her skill with shotput.

RIGHT: Cathy Ramsaur and Debbie Irvin chat after their induction into the Honor Society.



ABOVE LEFT: Junior Ann Mozeley plays the violin as a representative to the all-state orchestra.

ABOVE: Key Club member Jimmy Pinkston converses with an elderly man at Green Acres Rest Home.

LEFT: After completing her work, office assistant Brenda Cannon looks at annuals to pass time.

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Changes became new realities, moreso in sports than in any other area. Building of a new field house, needed for many years, was finally approved by the school board. Completed in the spring of 1974, it made facilities available for all teams. Coach Ronald Patterson's cross country team had an excellent season, highlighted by the first victory over Myers Park in eighteen years. Mr. Clyde Peek's retirement necessitated

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the new reality

the appointment of a head football coach. Mr. Eddie McArver, the new head coach, worked with assistants Donny Lemmond and Richard Jones. The team toiled with new uniforms, equipment, and the wishbone offense. Newton-Conover — a team previously not on the schedule — was added to the varsity slate. An abrupt reality faced West with the crushing defeat by Harding 14-6 at the beginning of the season. This was the first loss to the Rams in nine years.

ng among change

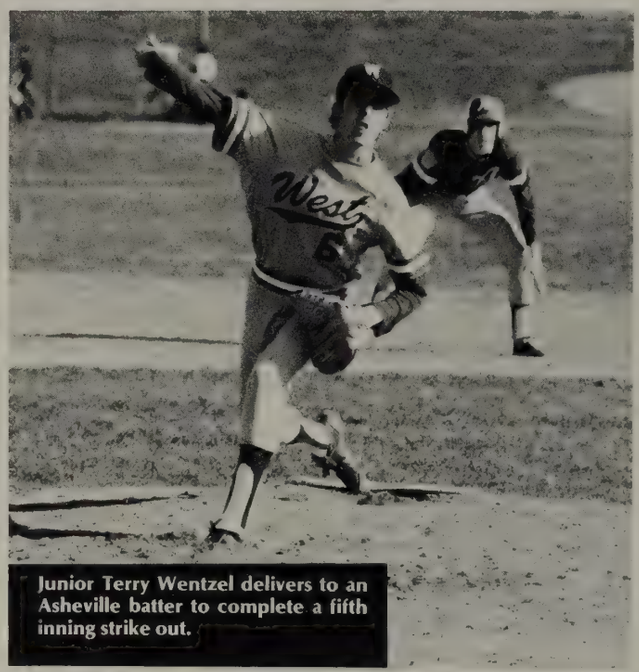
Indians knock off Mustangs in division playoff game;

After the loss of their first two conference games, the varsity baseball Indians had to really put it all together to be a contender for the 1974 season.

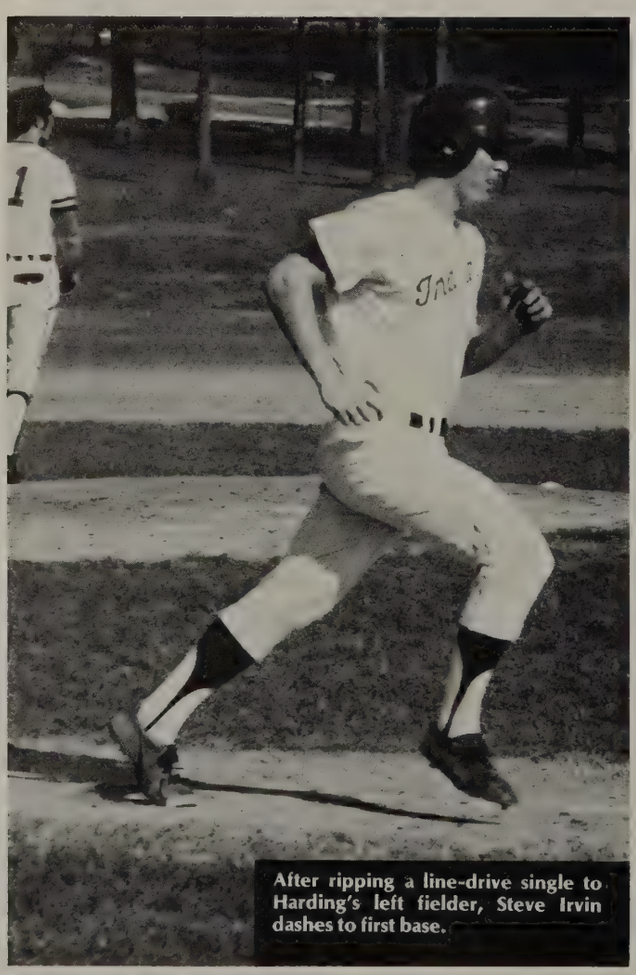
Behind a fine pitching staff, headed by Kevin Staley and Terry Wentzel, and a defense that was practically errorless, the team rallied to eventually win the Division Ten conference championship. The title was taken after a sudden-death playoff with cross-town rivals Myers Park. After losing one game to the Mustangs, the Indians rose to the occasion, defeating them on the Myers Park home field.

Hitting was a strong point. The squad had a fine team batting average. With shortstop Danny Clouse and second baseman Dennie Cashion leading the way, clutch hits came consistently throughout the season.

In winning the division title, the team represented the conference in the state playoffs, held in Durham. Getting off on a winning note by defeating North Durham helped make things look up. The next victim of the Tribe was Parkland High School. Taking these first two games and advancing to the semi-finals, hopes of bringing home the state championship were relinquished by a loss to Durham High School.



Junior Terry Wentzel delivers to an Asheville batter to complete a fifth inning strike out.



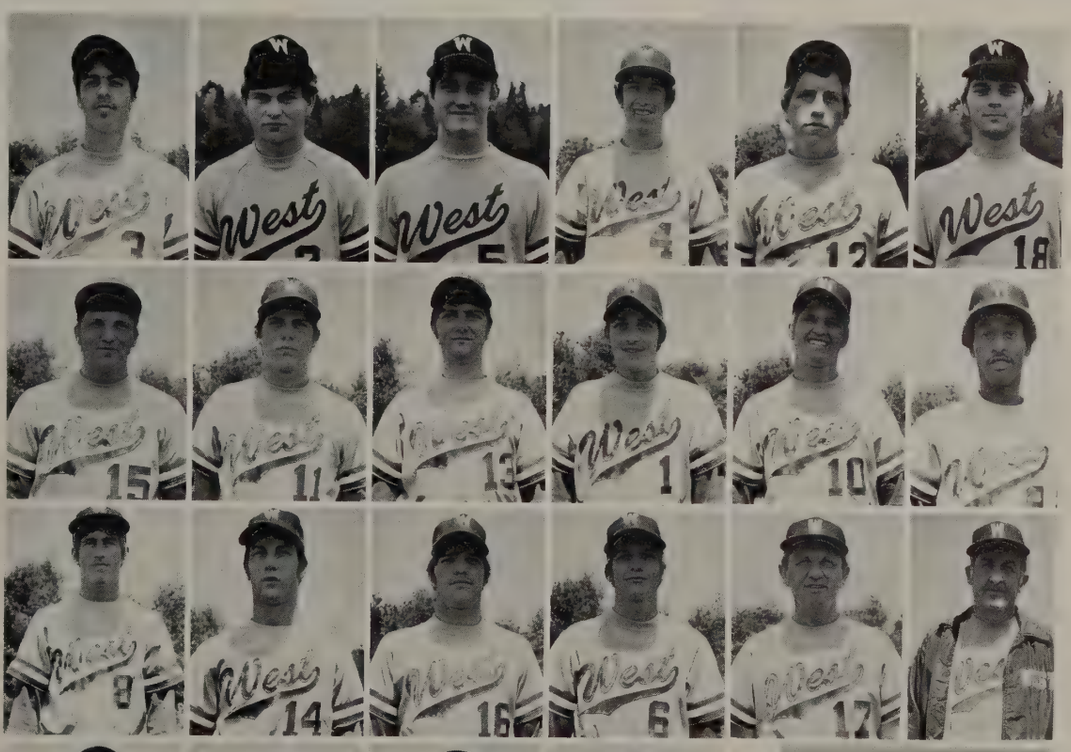
After ripping a line-drive single to Harding's left fielder, Steve Irvin dashes to first base.

1974 Varsity Baseball

West	4	Garinger	20
West	5	Hickory	0
West	3	Independence	1
West	4	Garinger	2
West	3	North Mecklenburg	11
West	2	Olympic	3
West	5	Harding	0
West	6	Asheville	2
West	6	South Mecklenburg	0
West	4	Ashbrook	3
West	2	Myers Park	1
West	10	Hickory	5
West	8	North Mecklenburg	0
West	10	Olympic	1
West	5	Harding	1
West	5	Asheville	4
West	4	South Mecklenburg	0
West	6	Ashbrook	3
West	0	Myers Park	1
		Division Playoff	
West	4	Myers Park	1
		State Playoffs	
West	3	North Durham	2
West	7	Parkland	6
West	5	Durham	6

capture conference title, advance to state semi-finals

Leadoff batter Barry Sullivan centers his full attention on the Ram pitcher's fast ball.



Ray Benton
Jack Blair
Alan Capps
Dennie Cashion
Danny Clouse
Eric Harrison

Keith Hudson
Steve Irvin
Mike King
Rusty Plyler
Bobby Smith
Kevin Staley

Barry Sullivan
Phil Teague
Robin Tench
Terry Wentzel
Coach Carl Bolick
Coach Clyde Peek

Libby Benjamin
Bat Girl
Janet Gupton
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Sheryl Perkins
Ball Girl
Danny Poole
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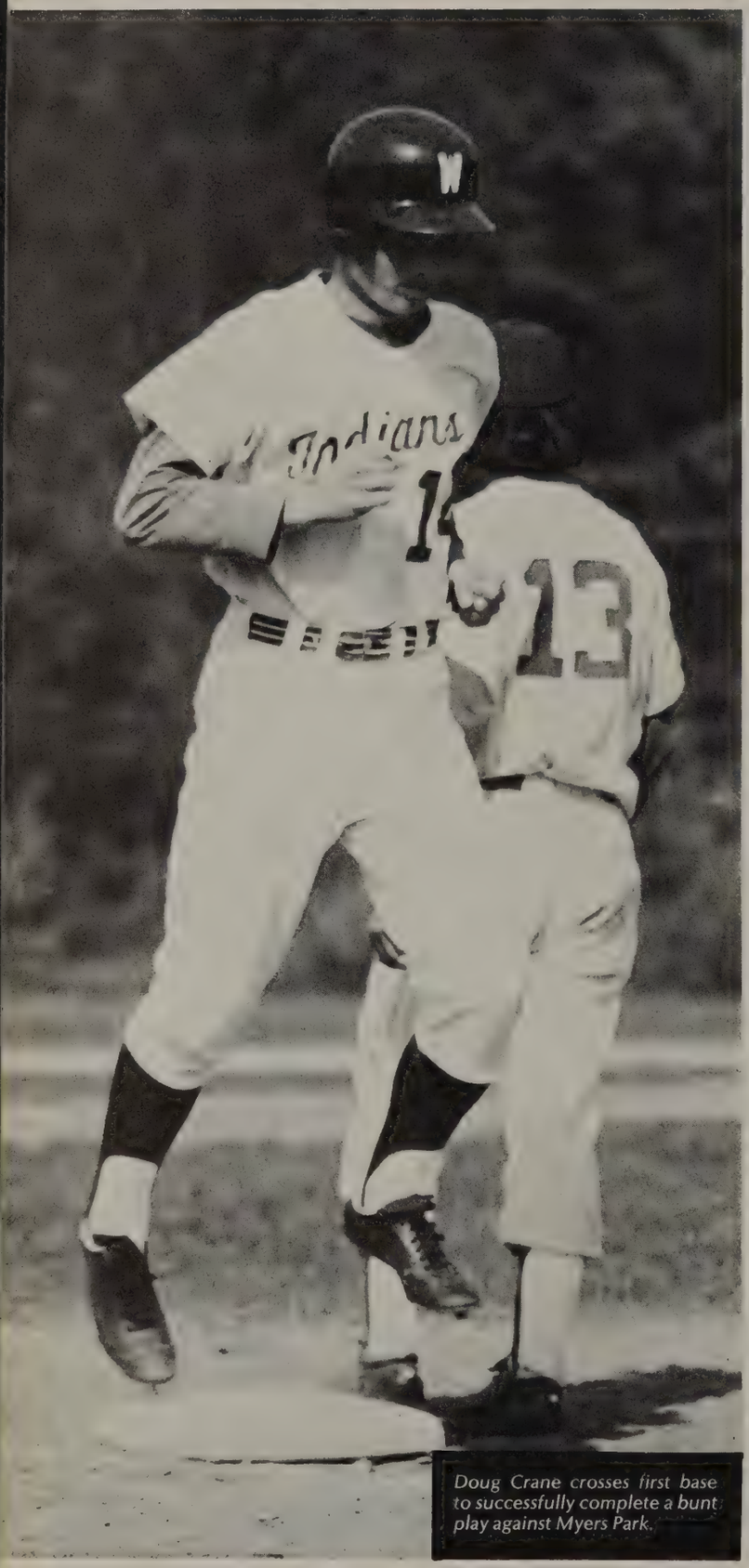
J.V.'s compile best record in school's history, win



Doug Crane crosses first base to successfully complete a bunt play against Myers Park.

Shortstop Ricky Tamson laces a line drive double to Asheville's left field.

1974 Jayvee Baseball

West	3	West Charlotte	1
West	3	Garinger	0
West	2	North Mecklenburg	9
West	10	Olympic	5
West	13	Harding	6
West	11	Garinger	2
West	24	West Charlotte	0
West	2	South Mecklenburg	1
West	3	Independence	5
West	5	Myers Park	0
West	3	Garinger	5
West	7	Hickory	4
West	16	North Mecklenburg	1
West	17	Olympic	7
West	4	Harding	2
West	1	Harding	2
West	9	South Mecklenburg	5
West	3	Hickory	6
West	8	Myers Park	2

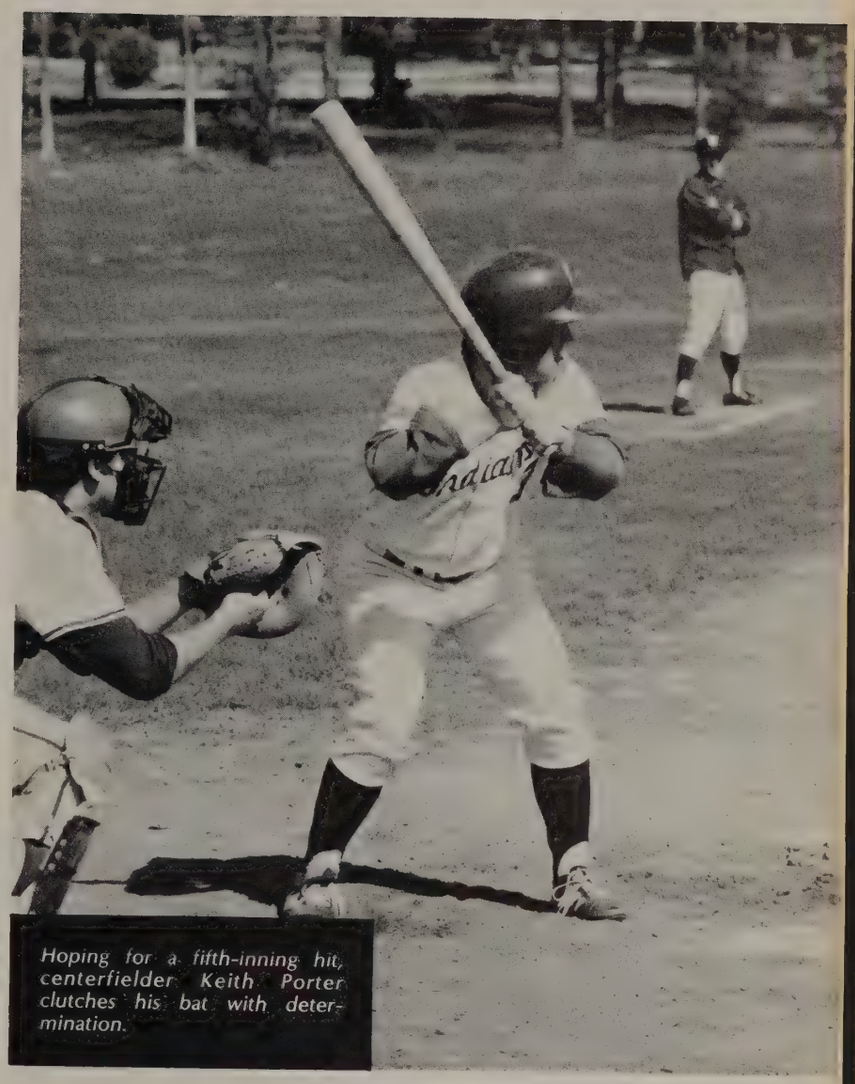
Season Record 14-5

city, county championship

Proving to be the best team in the city, the 1974 Jayvees established themselves as one of the most outstanding in the school's twenty-four-year history. Winning their second consecutive city championship, coaches Vance Schrum and Charles Boone created a triumphant spirit which paid off.

Mistakes were practically nonexistent throughout the entire nineteen-game schedule. Opposing teams found a minimum of weak spots in the Indians' offense or defense. Hitting was a particular strong point. The team posted a batting average of .301, an exceptional mark even for the best teams. Helping to uphold this excellent mark were many individual stars. One of the seven Jayvee players who led the way with a .300 average was shortstop-pitcher Ricky Tamson supporting an average of .373. Others who also helped maintain the mark included sophomore center fielder Keith Porter with a .353 average; Tony Anderson batting a .349; and Roland Killman, a .347.

Complementing the excellent hitting, defense was no problem. Both outfielders and infielders played a consistent, well-executed defense, backing a pitching staff that had talent as well as depth. The muscle to the staff was southpaw Joe Benton, earning a record of six wins and three losses. Backing up Benton was Tamson, a fine relief hurler. Tony Anderson, right-hander, was the other starting pitcher. These formed the nucleus of pitchers. Others who contributed to the power on the mound were Tim Owens and David Woods.



Hoping for a fifth-inning hit, centerfielder Keith Porter clutches his bat with determination.

FIRST ROW: Tony Anderson, Jimmy Smith, Roland Killman, Steve Smith, Keith Porter. SECOND ROW: Dale Capps, Ricky Tamson, David Motley, Rodney Mode, Robin Reavis, Joe Benton. BACK ROW: David Woods, Don Smith, Doug Crane, Tim Owens.

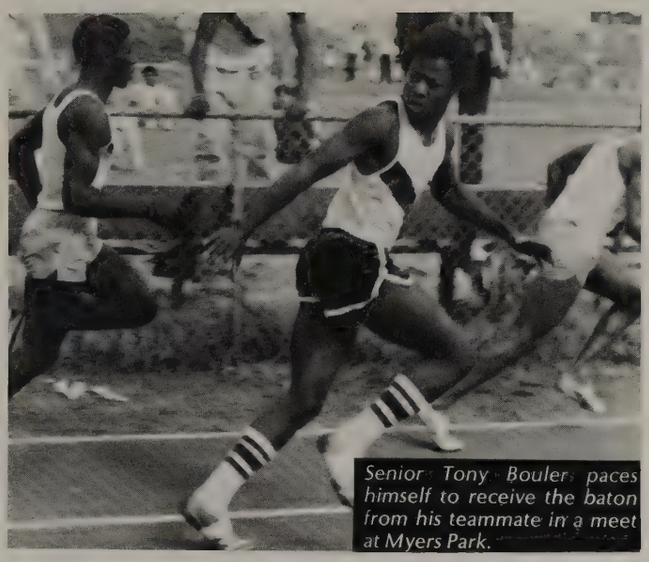
Speed advances trackmen to third place title in state

Inspired by individual stars, the 1974 track team went on to set records in many events. Senior Tony Bouler provided the strongest scoring punch as he broke the conference record in the hurdles. Sprinting speed was added by team captain James Easter, another record holder. Tyronne Carr led field participants as he finished among the best in the city in the discus throw event. Other outstanding and consistent performers were William Bidgood, Anthony Parker, Randy Prunty, and Billy Wallace. Record books were rewritten as Tribe members broke or tied eight school records.

Statewide recognition was won by record-setting performances, and high scores were repeatedly posted by the Indians. The team carried hard-earned honors to Hendersonville, the site of the western regionals, and returned with a sixth-place finish. The determination and hard work, evident throughout the season, proved worthwhile as the trackmen finished as the third-place team in the state.

ABOVE RIGHT: With determination etched on his face Anthony Parker sprints to the wire.

RIGHT: James Easter completes last leg of 440-relay, giving West the victory.



Senior Tony Bouler paces himself to receive the baton from his teammate in a meet at Myers Park.

1974 Track

March 8	Myers Park	Third Place
March 22	South	Third Place
March 29	Myers Park	Fourth Place
April 11	Metrolina Relay	Sixth Place
April 19	Queen City Relays	Fourth Place
April 26	Division 10 Meet	Fifth Place
May 3	4-A Conference Meet	Seventh Place
May 10	Sectional Meet	Sixth Place
May 17	District Meet	Sixth Place
May 24	State Meet	Third Place

Marcus Ardrey
William Bidgood
Tony Bouler
Tryone Carr
John Carothers
Ronnie Caton

Michael Clark
Ronald Cox
Melvin Crowder
John Day
James Easter
Kent Hicks

Steve Hix
Eddie Houston
Gary Hunsucker
Kenneth James
Johnny McCall
Rodney Massey

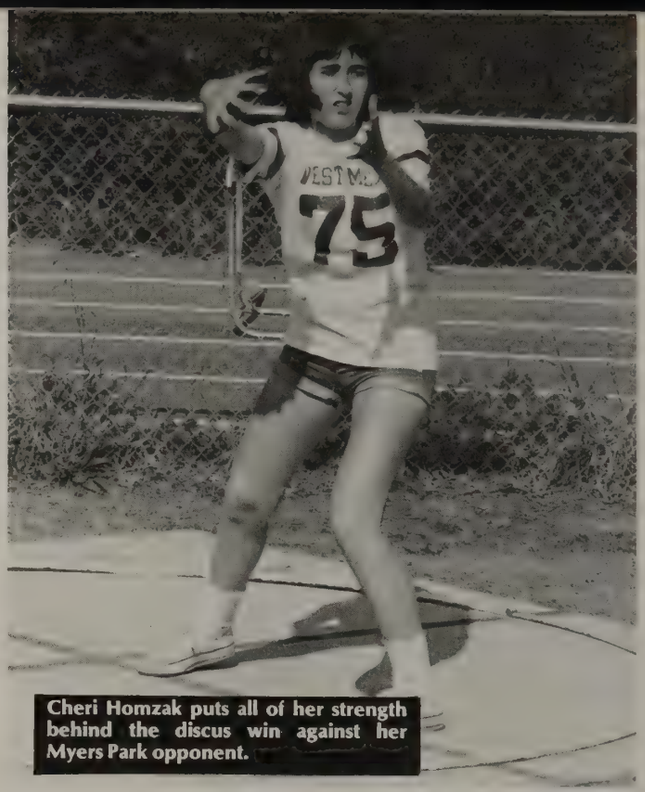
Anthony Parker
Everette Pope
Randy Prunty
Joe Steadman
Sam Thompson
Melvin Todd

James Walker
Billy Wallace
Chris Young

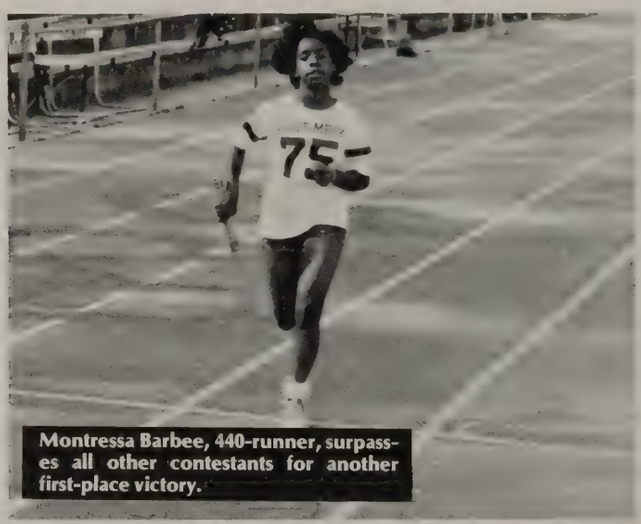
Girls prove track, ability, win during first season

West's attempt to form a girls' track team was a complete success. Although this was the first year many of the girls had participated in a team sport, their efforts and hard work seemed to blend into what eventually became a strong fast team. Their hardwork was rewarded with a five-way victory over Myers Park, Garinger, East Mecklenburg, and Independence high schools. Representing the school in the district meet, the girls took second place and third place in the conference meet.

Many outstanding athletes made up the team. Montressa Barbee, running the 220, qualified for state sectionals. Others qualifying for the same event were Jacque Bradshaw, running the hurdles, and Cheri Homzak, throwing the discus. Talent was also displayed when the 440 runners placed first at the district meet.



Cheri Homzak puts all of her strength behind the discus win against her Myers Park opponent.



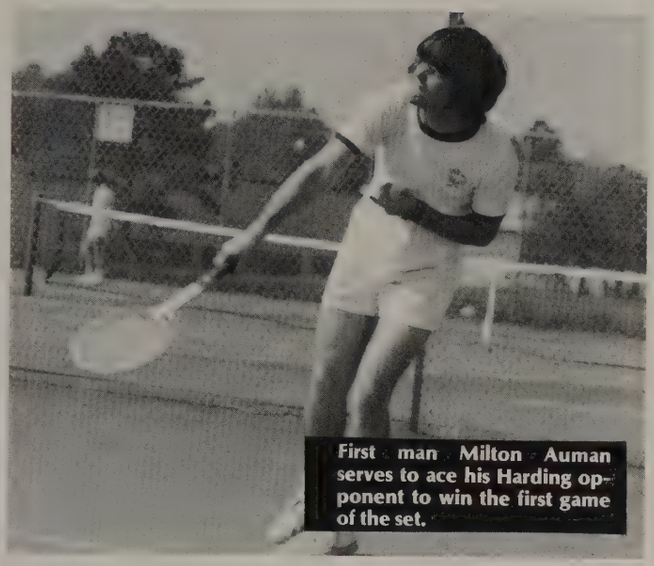
Montressa Barbee, 440-runner, surpasses all other contestants for another first-place victory.

1974 Girls' Track

Myers Park	*First*
Myers Park	*First*
Independence	*First*
District Meet	*Second*
Southwest Conference	*Third*

FRONT ROW: Deloris Easter, Darlene Spears, Shari Allison, Mary Bouler, Montressa Barbee, Wanda White. SECOND ROW: Jacque Bradshaw, Norma Hope, Sharon Massey, Kim McDaniel, Julie Easterling, Coach Mrs. Barbara Rohrman, Donna Gilliland, Lisa Smith, Cheri Homzak.

Inexperience haunts racketmen, proves disastrous



First man Milton Auman serves to ace his Harding opponent to win the first game of the set.

Inexperience plagued the West netters throughout the 1974 season. Six of the twelve team members competed for their first time.

Starting the season with many interested racketmen, the Indians seemed to endlessly search for a victory. Facing strong opposition with much more experience early in the season, the tennis team continuously posted weak scores. Court experience that was obtained as the season began eventually proved to be helpful as individual match play improved. Late in the season, the racqueteers were determined to find a victory. Facing Westside rival Harding, the team posted its first and only win.

Although some strong performances were demonstrated by different players throughout the year, the team had no outstanding stars. All of the players did work hard and managed to win two or three matches individually.

1974 Boys' Tennis

West	1	Independence	8	West	1	Ashbrook	8
West	0	South	9	West	1	Asheville	8
West	0	Myers Park	9	West	2	Olympic	7
West	0	Hickory	9	West	1	Garinger	8
West	1	North Mecklenburg	8	West	3	West Charlotte	6
West	0	East Mecklenburg	9	West	6	Harding	3
				West	1	Hunter Huss	8

Season Record 1-11

Milton Auman
Scott Campbell
Barry Edwards
Mike Funderburke
Bobby Glover
Lee Grice

Jim Jetton
Bobby Morgan
Bruce Justice
Ken Scott
Tommy Simms
Fred Watson

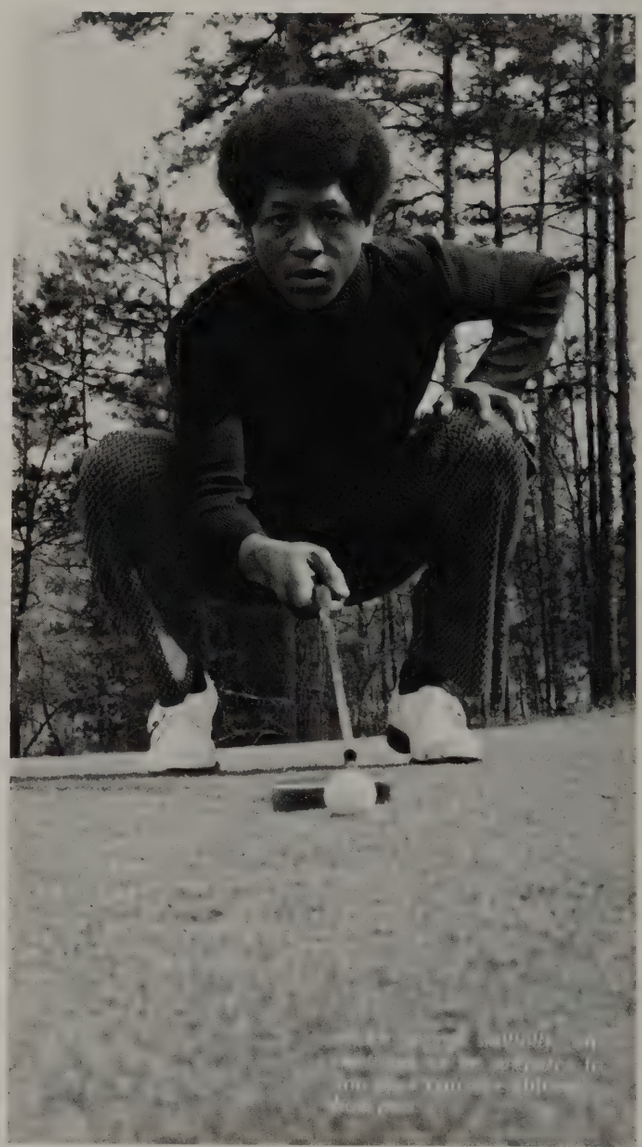
Bill Clouse
Coach

Golf team exemplifies skill in District Ten Conference

The 1974 golf team showed much improvement and played well enough to win second place in the District Ten Conference. This gave the golfers an opportunity to compete in the city sectional tournament where they placed fifth in a field of fourteen teams representing other schools in the area.

Practice on local courses helped prepare the team for its matches at River Hills Plantation. Bad weather, which frequently was the order of the day, put the dampers on the team scores.

Doug Grier fired a 73 while Mike Sheppard carded 75. Another player shooting in the 70's was Andre Springs, who contributed to the team's showing. Members worked extra hard and in some matches looked strong. Extra time at practice and effort on the part of each golfer and Coach Donny Lemmond brought forth some creditable scores and excellent performances. With several members returning for the '75 team, Coach Lemmond expressed hopes for a good season.

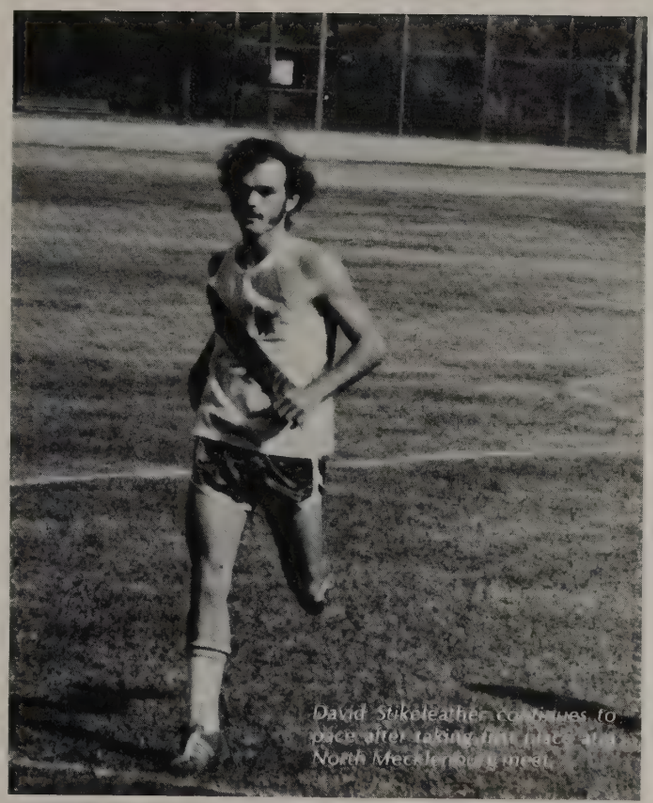


1974 Golf

Olympic	*Third place*
River Hills	*Second place*
Pawtuckett	*Second place*
Gastonia	*Second place*
River Hills	*Fourth place*
Pawtuckett	*Second place*
Harding	*Second place*
Gastonia	*Second place*
Asheville	*Second place*
Pawtuckett	*First place*
District 9 and 10	*Second place*
Sectional Tournament	*Fifth place*

Dennie Cashion
Doug Grier
Eddie Hearn
Monte Huffstetler
Andre Springs
Mike Sheppard

Bruce Wellmon



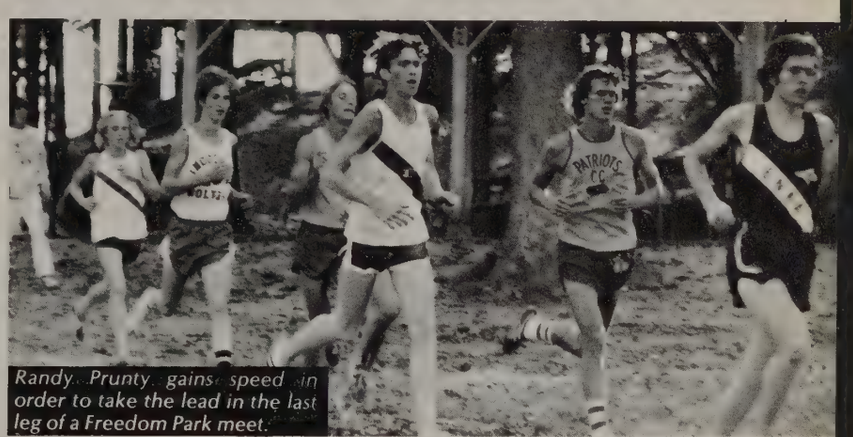
David Stikeleather continues to pace after taking first place at a North Mecklenburg meet.

Prunty makes all-state, leads Indians' harriers

Sparked by Randy Prunty, all-state harrier, the Indian cross countrymen exhibited one of the most productive seasons in recent years. Placing first in four of their initial five meets, the Redmen eventually ended the year by missing by only one place to qualify for the state meet. Because of the injury of all-conference runner David Stikeleather, the fleet distance runners placed a disappointing third in the conference meet before coming back to take third place honors in the district meet. In addition to Prunty and Stikeleather, John Day also received all-conference recognition for his success on the district circuit.

In the conference, the Redmen captured three of the top five places on North's 3.0 mile course. At the district meet, on West Charlotte's 2.9 mile layout, the Indians took the top four notches and achieved a season best score of eighteen points. These two meets, back-to-back, best exemplified the overall progress of West Mecklenburg's harriers in 1974.

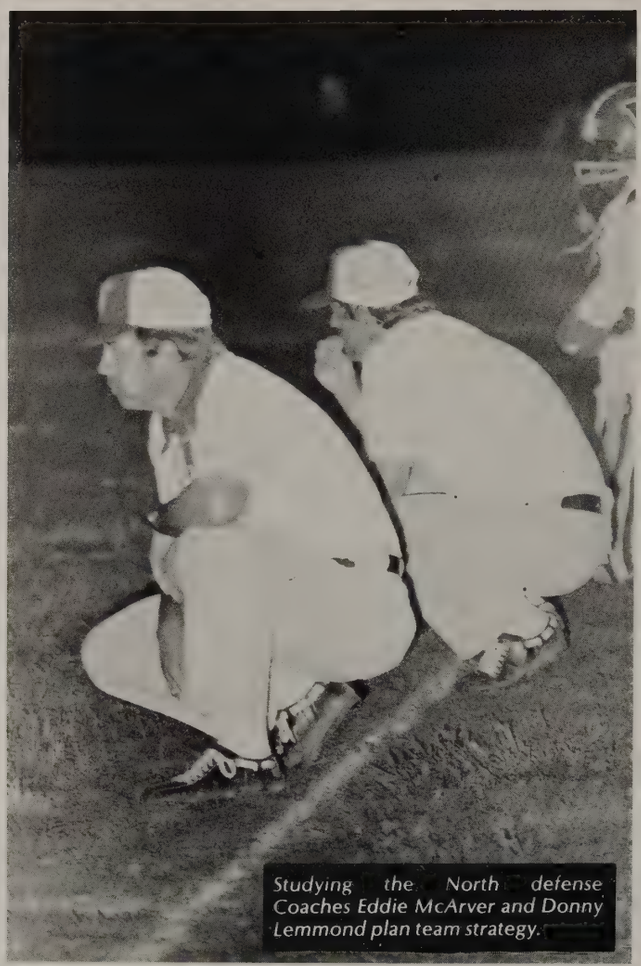
Place	Number of Teams	WM Placing
West	4	First
West	6	Second
North	4	First
West Charlotte	4	First
Olympic	5	First
North	6	Third
District		Third
Conference		Third
Sectionals		Fifth



Randy Prunty gains speed in order to take the lead in the last leg of a Freedom Park meet.

George Broome
Ronnie Caton
John Day
Jimmy Griffin
Kent Hicks
Brian Lawing

Randy Prunty
Bob Ray
David Stikeleather
Ronald Patterson
Coach



Studying the North defense Coaches Eddie McArver and Donny Lemmond plan team strategy.

Weak offensive season with inconsistent attack greets new head coach

Losing the season opener to rival Harding dimmed the preseason hopes of the varsity football team. Beginning the year under new head coach Eddie McArver, the staff installed the wishbone offense. Indian coaches felt this usually potent running game would provide the scoring punch needed. Inexperience in the new alignment proved fatal as mistakes were repeatedly made in ball handling and in blocking. Fumbles halted many scoring drives several times throughout the season.

Though usually weak, the backfield showed signs of promise with speedy Albert Evans and Barry Sullivan as ball carriers. Inside running strength was provided by fullbacks Robin Tench and Steve Winters. Quarterbacks Kevin Staley and Robin Reavis often found running alleys closed and were forced to rely on a mediocre passing attack. Sophomore John Thomas and junior Billy Wallace caught passes consistently. The lack of a quick scoring threat weakened offensive effectiveness. Underclassmen played extensively on the varsity team. Coaches hoped that this would instill the experience needed to run a successful wishbone attack.

Under heavy pressure from the Sabre defenders, Robin Reavis looks for the open receiver.

Dale Capps
John Chapman
Richard Cox
Joe Crosby
Bill Hoover
Keith Hudson

Mike King
Nathaniel McGowan
Tim Owens
Robin Reavis
Kevin Staley
Barry Sullivan

Robin Tench
Craig Todd
Billy Wallace
Richard Wilson
Reggie Withers
Coach Richard Jones

Donny Lemmond
Coach
Eddie McArver
Head Coach

1974 Varsity Football

West	6	Harding	14
West	13	Hickory	8
West	7	East Mecklenburg	13
West	7	Ashbrook	21
West	7	Newton-Conover	10
West	7	North Mecklenburg	13
West	14	Asheville	34
West	7	Olympic	17
West	13	South Mecklenburg	13
West	0	Myers Park	32

Season Record 1-8-1

Executing a play into the Hickory line, Kevin Staley watches his running back's progress.

Billy Wallace holds his head in despair as the Harding Rams score in the season opener.

Strong pursuit from linebacker Sean Emery halts a Ram offensive drive in the season opener.

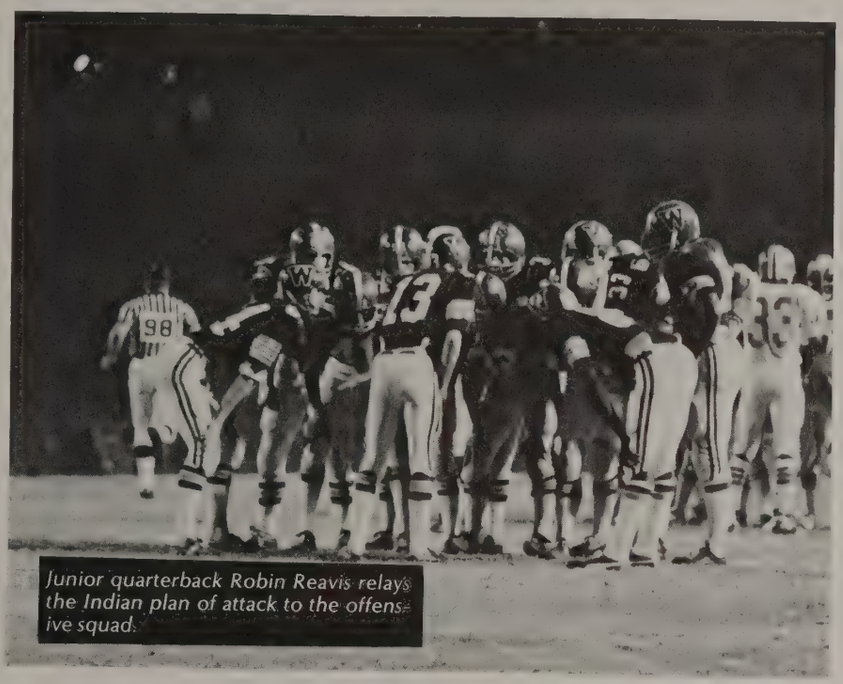
Rusty Anderson
Joe Benton
Danny Clouse
William Coffey
Melvin Crowder
Sean Emery

Albert Evans
Wesley Froneburger
Mike Gresham
Vernon Guest
T. C. McClain
David Mozeley

Alan Thompson
Terry Wentzel
Dale Wike
Managers—
Paul Bradley
Kevin Gaetano
Danny Poole

Chris Young
Manager

Defensive stability continues despite poor season

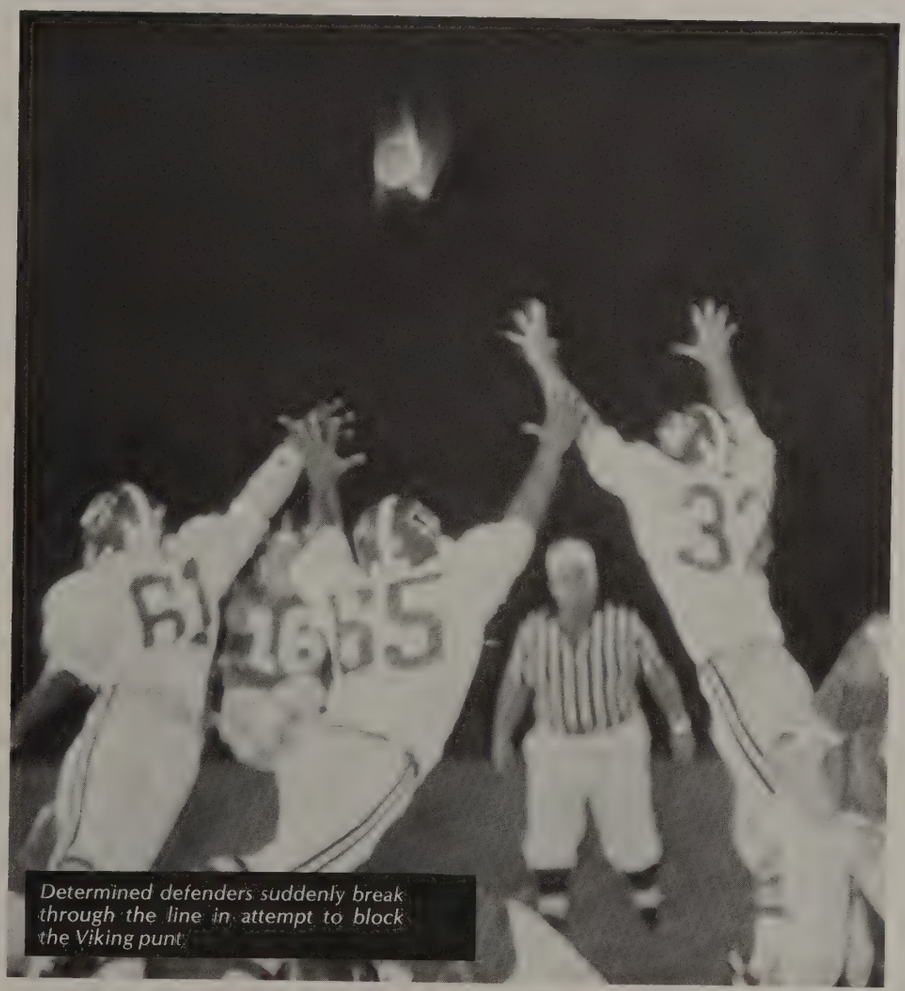


Junior quarterback Robin Reavis relays the Indian plan of attack to the offensive squad.

It was an unusual type of football season at West this year, and everyone was glad when it was over.

Despite these factors, the defense did tend to stand out during the '74 season, as consistent strong play led to many low opposing team scores. The squad was led by captains Danny Clouse and Mike Gresham. Also adding to the speed and strength on the line was guard Wesley Froneburger.

First year head coach Eddie McArver discovered early in the season the weakness of the offense and primarily depended on the defense which accounted for low yardage running games for opponents.



Determined defenders suddenly break through the line in attempt to block the Viking punt.

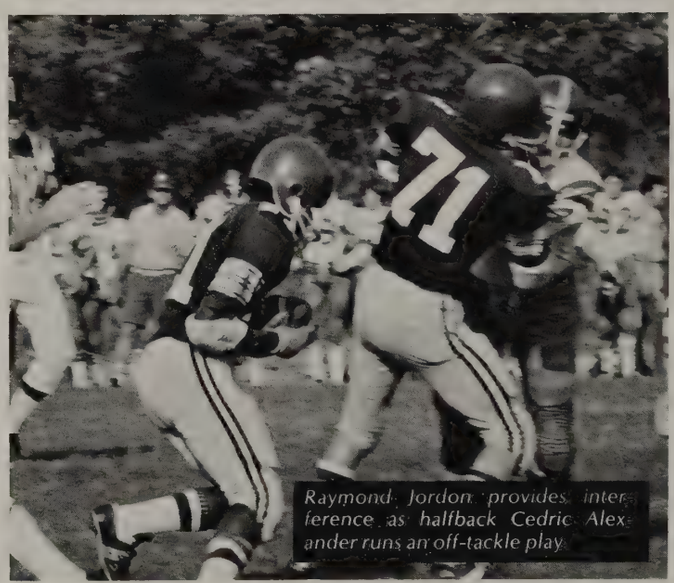
Turning the corner against South, Richard Wilson looks for running room in the open field.

Small preseason turnout accounts for weakened J.V.

1974 Jayvee Football

West	14	Myers Park	6
West	0	East	15
West	6	Hickory	7
West	22	East	20
West	14	Ashbrook	27
West	6	Myers Park	22
West	12	North	13
West	0	Garinger	28
West	29	Olympic	12
West	21	South	0

Season Record 4-6



Raymond Jordon provides interference as halfback Cedric Alexander runs an off-tackle play.

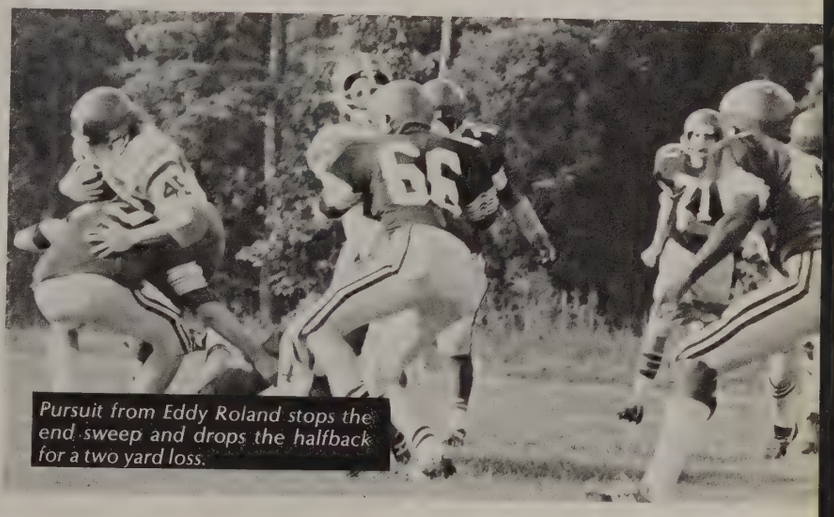
Timing his leap perfectly, Gerald Wilburn steals the pass as the Eagles' offense looks on.

squad; dismal campaign ends with two victories

Under pressure from Eagle defenders, running back Greg Williford searches for the goal line.

Completing the '74 season with two consecutive victories, the Jayvees ended an otherwise dismal campaign. Because of a small turnout, coaches Vance Schrum and Morgan Walker were forced to mold a team. Following the season opener, John Thomas and Steve Winters were moved to the varsity squad by coach Eddie McArver, weakening a potentially powerful backfield. Halfback Greg Williford ran the ball consistently well throughout the year, complementing a strong passing attack. Jerry Ealy and Darrell Hampton were the prime targets of quarterback Kevin Tackett's aerial barrage. Though strong at times, the offense was never able to establish the consistency necessary for a successful season.

Faltering defensive play also plagued the Tribe. Late in many games, the defense weakened and gave up points that made comeback attempts unsuccessful. From his linebacker position, Eddie Wright strengthened the squad, along with strong performers Raymond Jordan and Eddy Roland.



Pursuit from Eddy Roland stops the end sweep and drops the halfback for a two yard loss.

FIRST ROW: John Thomas, Steve Winters, Kevin Tackett, Joe Culp, Eddie Wright. SECOND ROW: Raymond Jordon, Greg Williford, Eddy Roland, Chris Rust, Ricky Gabriel, Johnny Hunter, Steve Mozeley, Don Bradshaw. THIRD ROW: Keith Torrence, Tony Killman, Bernard Beatty, Reggie Taylor, Darrell Hampton, Larry Henderson, Donald McCree, Jerry Ealy. BACK ROW: Alex Taylor, Ricky Jordon, Sherman Randolph, Albert Jones, Steve Wilson, Darrell Alston, Gerald Wilburn, Cedric Alexander.

Girls' team reorganizes; squad expands schedule

After experiencing encouraging response in other girls' sports, the Athletic Department reinstated volleyball as a winter activity. The sport was discontinued at the end of the '72-'73 season because of a lack of interest.

Coach Barbara Rohrman built the squad around co-captains Lisa Smith and Cheri Homzak. Opponents received consistantly strong serves from senior Lisa Smith.

The girls began the '75 schedule by traveling to Harding for their first afternoon match. Dressed in new uniforms, the netters returned with two victories and two defeats, earning them a second-place finish.

Enthusiastic play continued throughout the schedule and brought the Indians a record they could be proud of in their first season. The moments of success can be summed up in a few words: total team effort.

1975 Girls' Volleyball

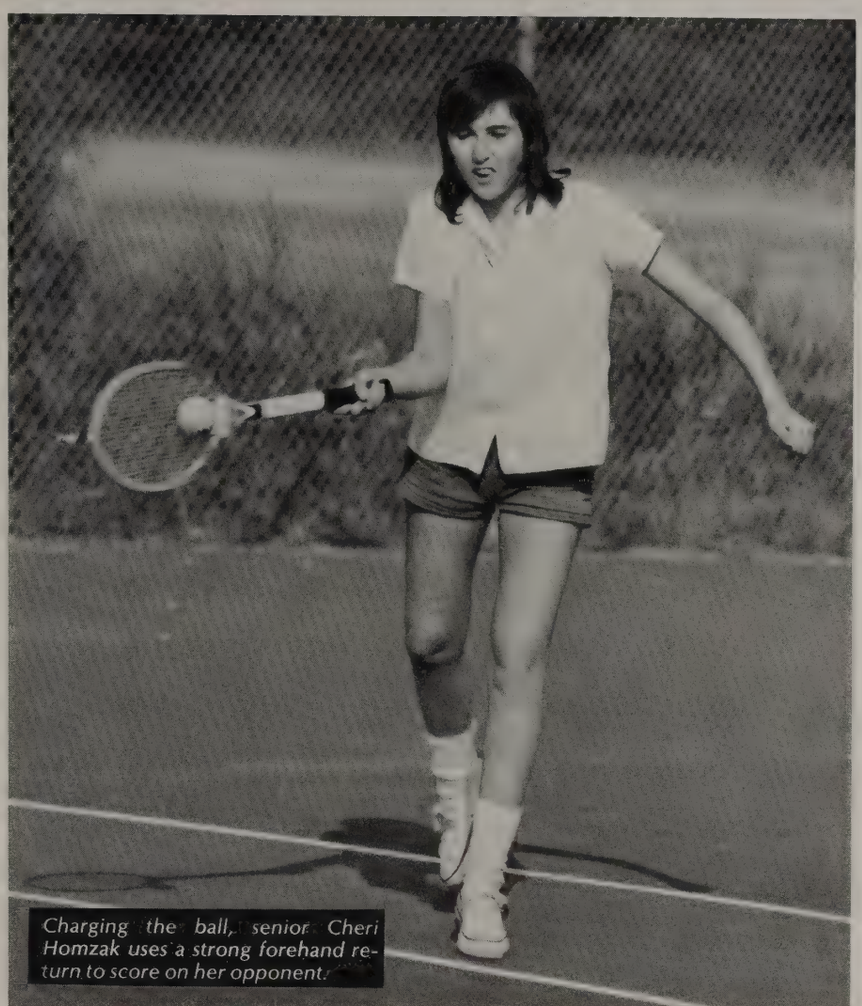
West	2	Harding	1
West	0	South	2
West	0	Garinger	2
West	1	Harding	2
West	0	East	2
West	2	West Charlotte	0
West	1	Olympic	2
West	0	Myers Park	2
West	0	Independence	2
West	2	North	1

Season record 3-7

Lisa Smith, Tina Dixon, and Barbara Leatherman await the referee's ruling on a close line-call.

FRONT ROW: Cindy Perkins, Barbara Leatherman, Tina Dixon, Patricia Adams, Cheri Homzak. BACK ROW: Coach Barbara Rohrman, Kim McDaniel, Lisa Smith, Sandra McCarver, Jill Butler, Chelle Jordon.

Inexperience hampers girl netters' victory hopes



Charging the ball, senior Cheri Homzak uses a strong forehand return to score on her opponent.

Inexperience prevailed during the 1974 girls' tennis schedule, causing them a less than mediocre season after losing a series of matches. To break this disheartening string, the girls posted their first win against West Charlotte on the Lions' home court.

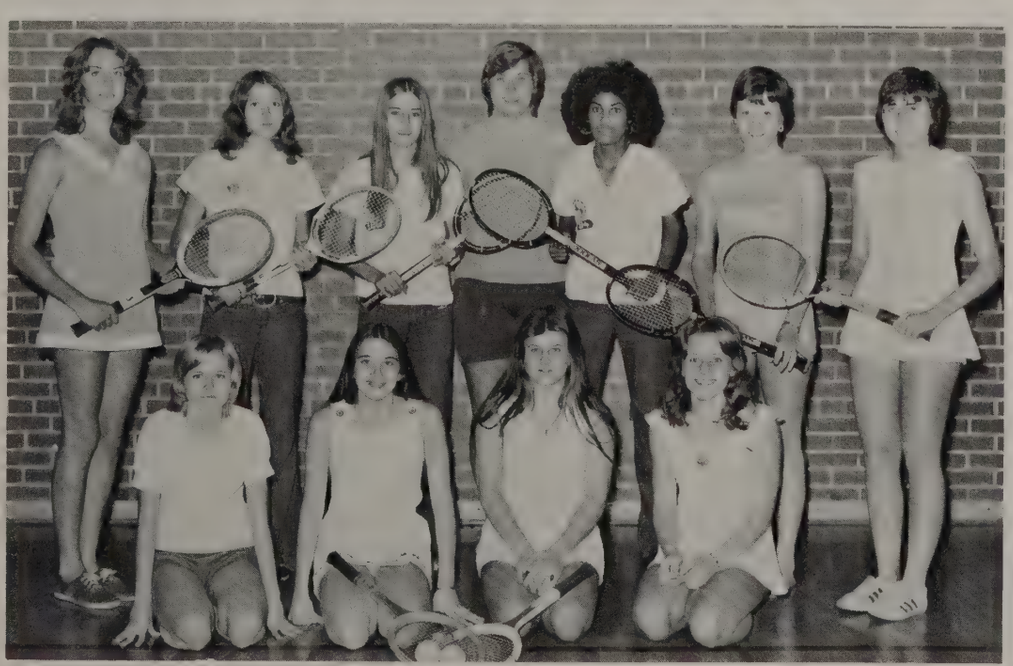
Working hard every day, members of the squad were quick to prove themselves dedicated athletes. As participants, they came to realize that the sometimes heartbreaking sorrow of losing is as important and as real as the great thrill of winning.

The netters also put a great deal of individual effort into their performances but were unable to overcome the more experienced talent possessed by their opposition.

1974 Girls' Tennis

West	0	Garinger	9
West	2	Independence	7
West	2	Olympic	7
West	5	West Charlotte	4
West	3	Harding	6
West	2	North	7

Season Record 1-5

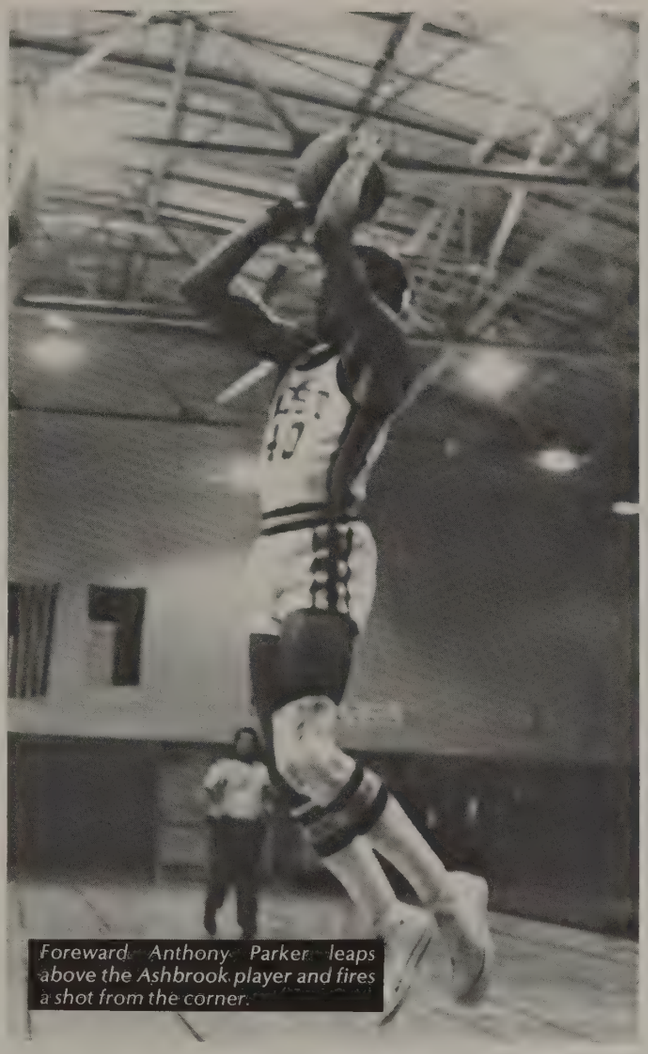


FIRST ROW: Barbara Leatherman, Lynn Vance, Debra Kiser, Gerri Smith. SECOND ROW: Sandra McCarver, Pat Bowen, Sandy Gibbs, Coach Barbara Rohrman, Teresa Hasty, Cheri Homzak.

Kevin Staley joins the starting five at midcourt as the pregame introductions are made.

During a second-half timeout, Coach Morgon Walker explains strategy for a last-second shot.

Despite heavy coverage, leading scorer Kevin Staley sinks a basket in a victory over Ashbrook.

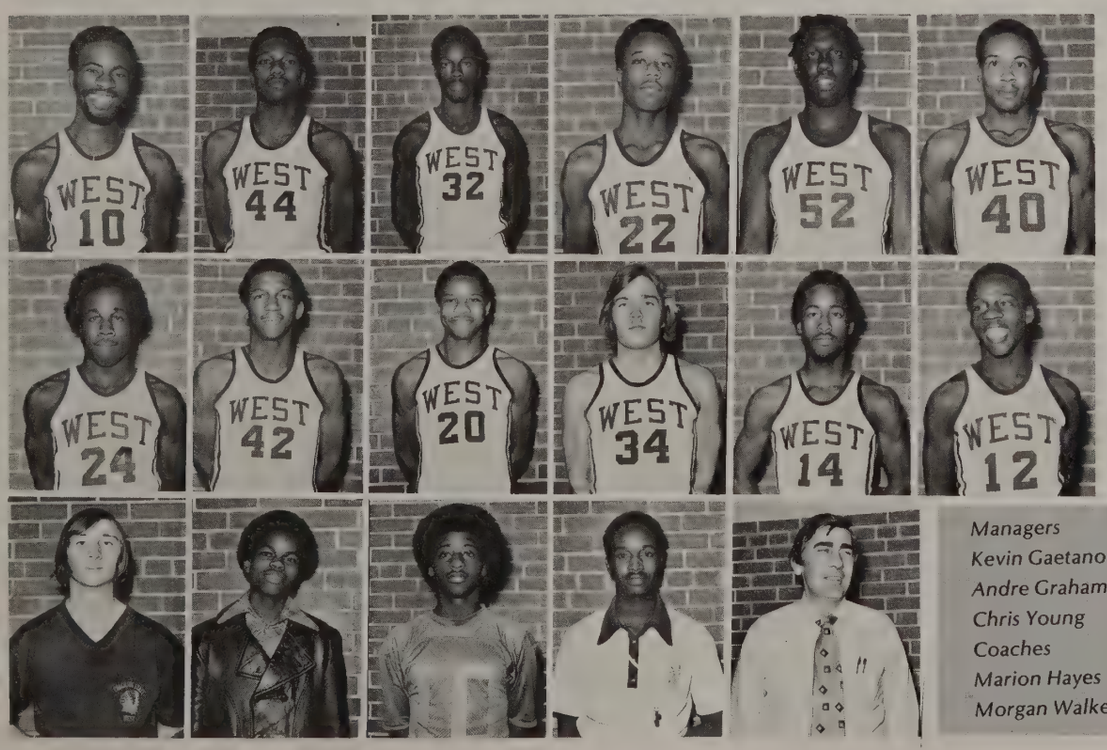


Foreward Anthony Parker leaps above the Ashbrook player and fires a shot from the corner.

Early surge complements sharp team play, boosts Indians to tournament

The 1975 basketball team broke tradition this winter. Combining speed, agility, and quickness, Coach Morgan Walker built the strongest Indian squad in years. For the second consecutive year, the team visited the Division 10 tournament. After beating Asheville, the Tribe advanced to the semi-finals at the UNC-C Mine Shaft. Harding extinguished the red-hot Indians in a hard-fought battle that exposed the real skill of the individual players.

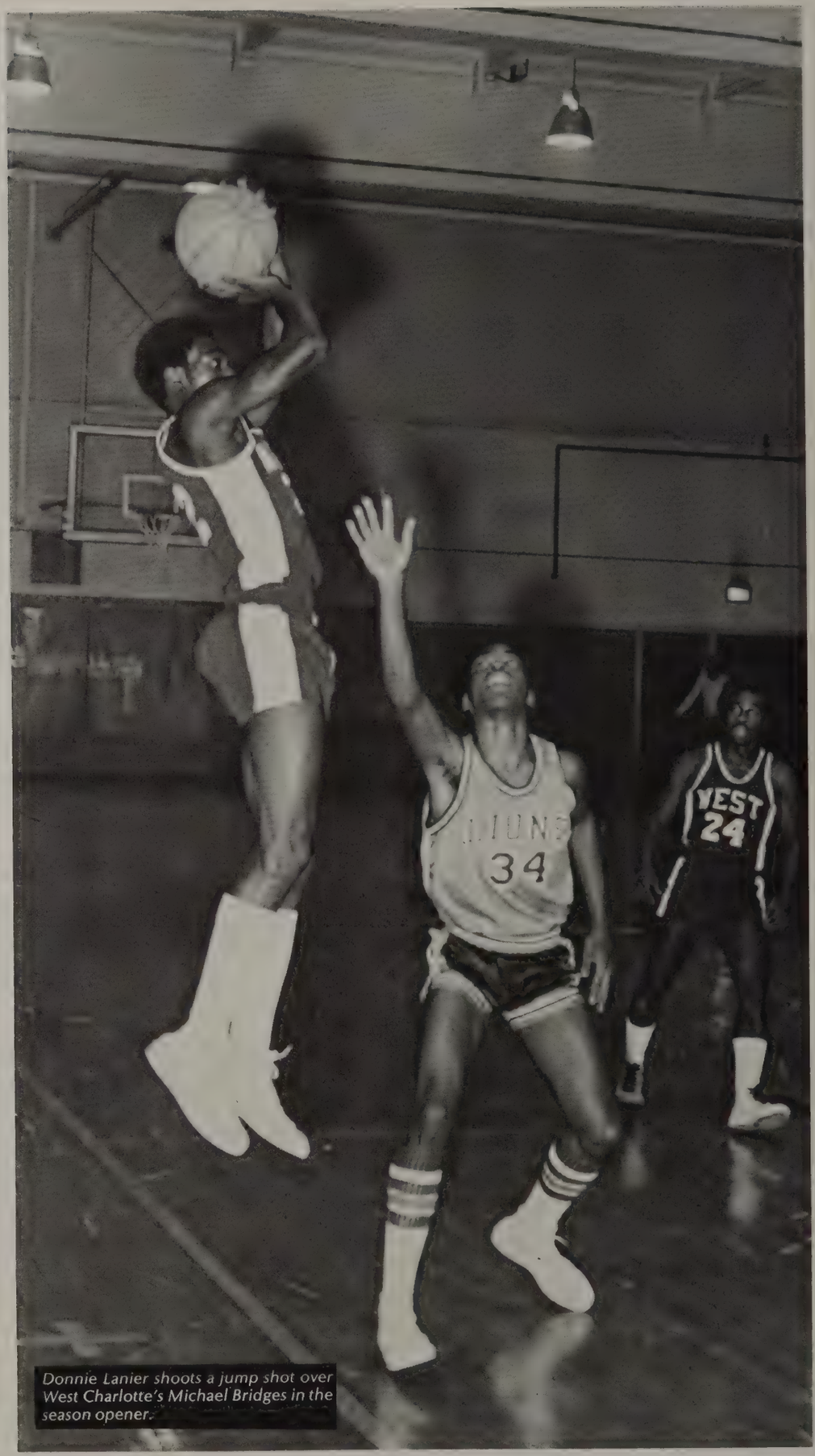
The '75 squad was built around a nucleus of three returning varsity players. Leading scorer Kevin Staley supported the team average of 66 points per game. From his guard position, Staley delivered key baskets and finished the season with a 15-point average. After off season knee operations, returning senior Steve Cassell played excellently in the pivot position. Anthony Parker and Willie Robinson assisted Cassell in controlling offensive and defensive boards. The only junior starter on the squad was Donnie Lanier, a streak shooter who compiled an important 9-point scoring average of the year. Guards Michael Pompey and Robert Stitt quarterbacked the Redmen. Coupled with inexperienced but dedicated reserves, the starting five used teamwork behind sound coaching to complete a successful season.



Baron Alexander
Steve Cassell
Donnie Lanier
Tyrone Massey
Anthony Mungo
Anthony Parker

Michael Pompey
Willie Robinson
Greg Sadler
Don Smith
Kevin Staley
Robert Stitt

Managers
Kevin Gaetano
Andre Graham
Chris Young
Coaches
Marion Hayes
Morgan Walker



Donnie Lanier shoots a jump shot over West Charlotte's Michael Bridges in the season opener.

Staley, Cassell lead team, provide needed scoring

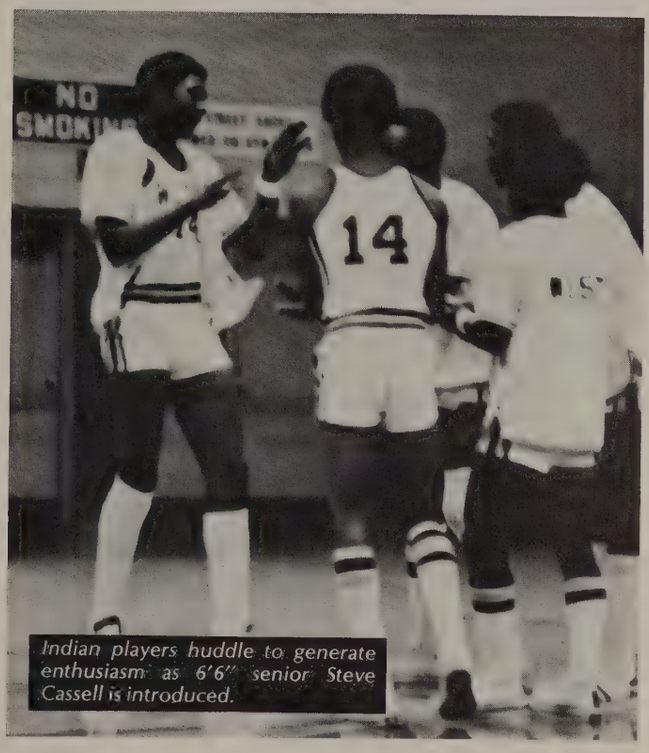
1975 Varsity Basketball

West	71	West Charlotte	54
West	52	South	51
West	69	Hickory	65
West	52	South	50
West	61	Hickory	76
West	82	West Charlotte	76
West	55	Harding	75
West	75	North	54
West	71	North	63
West	68	Ashbrook	62
West	58	Garinger	73
West	62	Harding	73
West	58	Myers Park	91
West	89	Olympic	107
West	68	Asheville	63
West	60	North	57
West	53	Ashbrook	51
West	66	Garinger	89
West	62	Harding	71
West	74	Myers Park	90
West	88	Olympic	89
West	59	Asheville	60

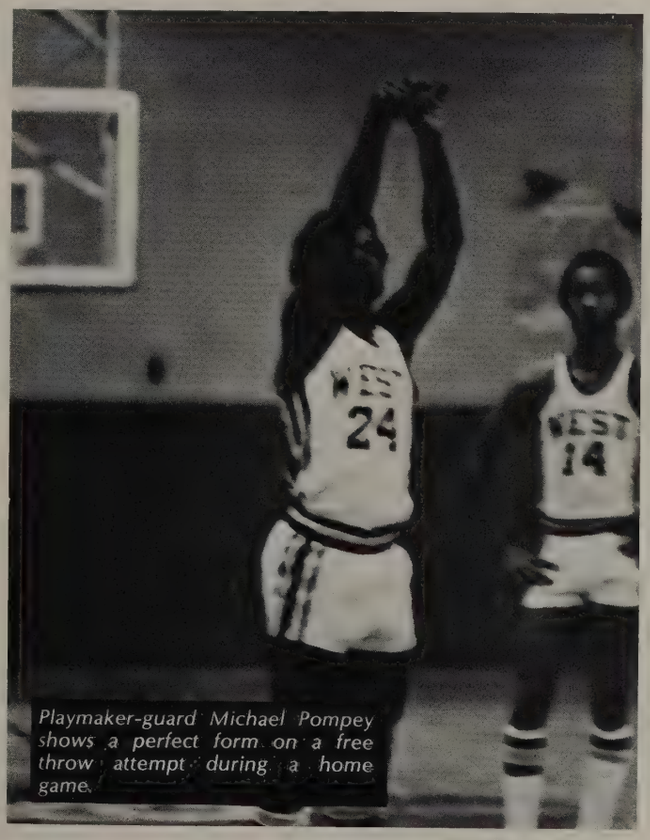
Division Playoffs

West	63	Asheville	47
West	84	Harding	88

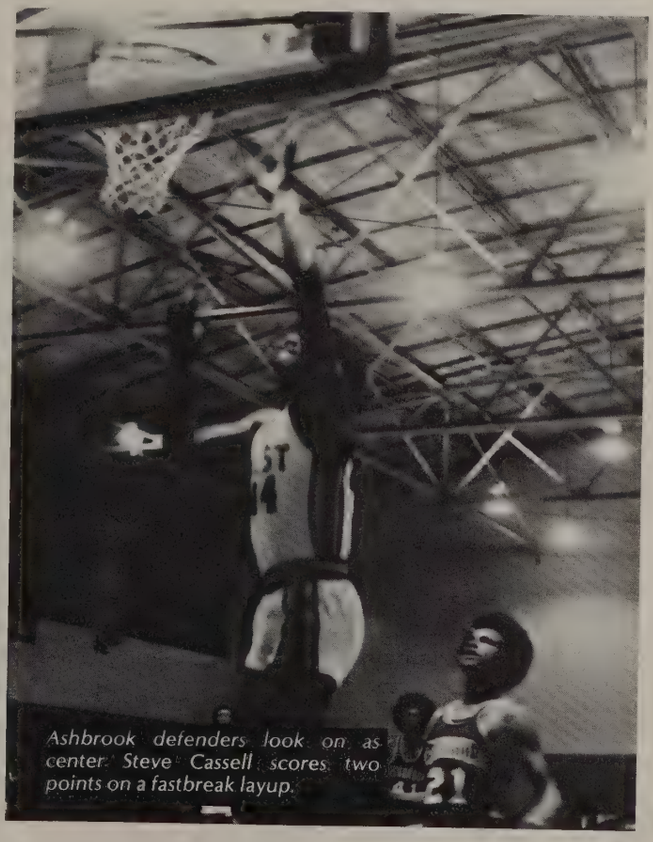
Season Record 12-12



Indian players huddle to generate enthusiasm as 6'6" senior Steve Cassell is introduced.



Playmaker-guard Michael Pompey shows a perfect form on a free throw attempt during a home game.



Ashbrook defenders look on as center Steve Cassell scores two points on a fastbreak layup.

Attempting a crucial basket, sophomore Jerry Ealey goes up high to avoid the Asheville defense.

Setting up a basket, Ray Bennett skillfully puts the ball in to win against Ashbrook.

FRONT ROW: Ray Bennett, Joe Black, Larry Livingston, Frank Carter. BACK ROW: Bernard Beatty, Jerry Ealey, Tyrone Davis, Kevin Tackett, John Thomas.

Team play propels J.V.'s to a successful season

Tyrone Davis takes a difficult shot as the Hickory defense takes a man-on-man formation.

Jerry Ealey follows through after arching a jumper for a basket and two points.

After dropping the first two games of the '75 schedule, the Jayvees bounced back to complete a successful season. Coach Donny Lemmond fielded a competitive squad from a large sophomore turnout. Diligent workouts and determination were used to develop the winning team.

All Jayvee victories can be attributed to a total team effort. The well-rounded squad included a number of excellent players. Joe Black coordinated efforts on the court from his guard position. His leadership qualities were valuable in working the ball for the best shot. Jerry Ealey, the strongest defensive player, teamed with John Thomas to provide a strong rebounding core. Tyrone Davis was the leading scorer for the junior varsity. Kevin Tackett, the most versatile player on the team, played both guard and forward throughout the season. These players and others helped hold the score close in most contests. The Redmen dropped three crucial games in the last few seconds.

1975 Jayvee Basketball

West	62	West Charlotte	71
West	61	South	62
West	51	Hickory	41
West	60	South	48
West	74	Hickory	58
West	70	West Charlotte	53
West	50	North	53
West	40	Ashbrook	47
West	69	Garinger	70
West	65	Harding	57
West	50	Myers Park	48
West	56	Olympic	72
West	58	Asheville	56
West	54	North	57
West	63	Ashbrook	56
West	62	Garinger	70
West	66	Harding	65
West	57	Myers Park	50
West	54	Olympic	81
West	57	Asheville	50

Season Record 9-11

With quick moves, Wesley Froneberger pins his Ashbrook opponent in the second period.

Individual talent shines throughout awesome season

ABOVE: Working to maintain the advantage, John Day maneuvers skillfully for better position.

Highlighting the wrestling season were individual performances. Danny Clouse and William Coffey led the team with consistently good showings. John Day, a senior, won his regional matches at Independence in the 145-pound weight class. This earned him the right to compete in the state tournament, where he was eliminated. Other strong grapplers included Bruce Justice, John Carothers, Jerry Handy, and Mike Caudill.

The team, as a whole, experienced a disappointing season. Though losing many matches, the scores were often close. Coach Eddie McArver was pleased with the large turnout this season. Using the twelve sophomores wisely, he was able to fill all weight classes and avoid forfeits.

Inexperience plagued the young grapplers early in the season. Improvement was made as the schedule progressed through afternoon workouts and actual mat experience. These matmen should provide an excellent core for the '76 team.

1975 Wrestling

West	30	Independence	36
West	29	East	35
West	37	West Charlotte	27
West	36	Hunter Huss	30
West	24	South	36
West	23	Myers Park	39
West	18	Olympic	42
West	21	North	38
West	12	Asheville	43
West	29	Ashbrook	43
West	12	Harding	40

Season Record 2-9

Working for a pin, senior Tim Owens breaks down his Myers Park opponent.

Darrell Bidgood
Don Bradshaw
Randy Bustard
John Carothers
Mike Caudill
Tom Chidester

Danny Clouse
William Coffey
John Day
David French
Wesley Froneberger
Bill Gardner

Scott Hager
Jerry Handy
Robert Hunt
Raymond Jordan
Bruce Justice
Brian Lawing

Tim Owens
Bruce Park
Andre Reid
Chris Rust
Mike Smith
Keith Torrence

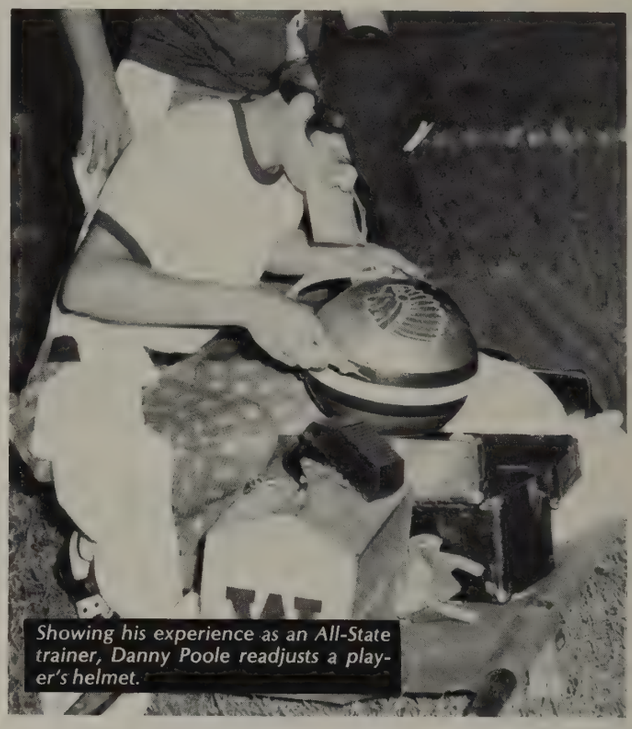
Scorekeeper
Janet Gupton
Manager
Danny Poole
Coach
Eddie McArver

Outstanding athletes honored in various team sports

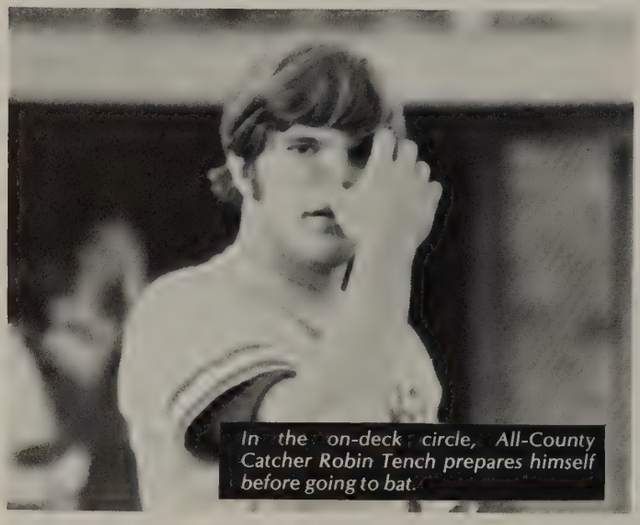
Even though team effort was stressed in all phases of sports play, there were some individuals who presented themselves as standouts. These athletes were not only noticed by their own coaches and fans, but by sports-writers and other coaches as well.

Awarded to these young men were such titles as All-County, All-Conference, and All-State performers. Being placed in one of these categories was a great honor and winning a title as such was an incredibly hard task. A person had to work and strive to perform well himself as well as with the team. This created character and determination which only an exceptional performer could develop.

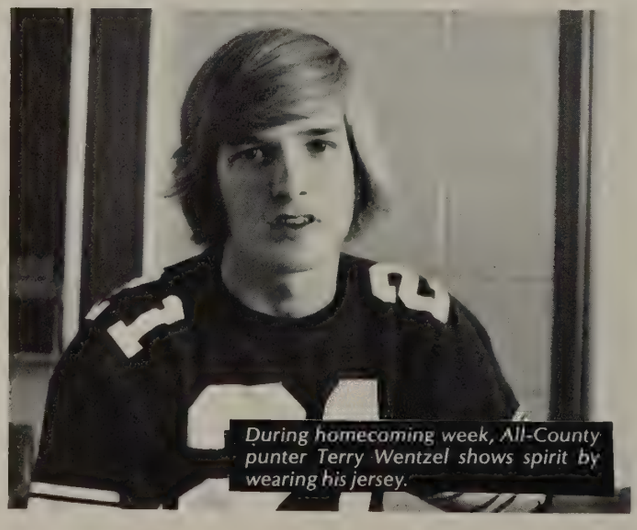
Holders of the titles mentioned were carefully screened and voted upon according to individual statistics, which had to be proved exceptional before one was even considered. The athlete also had to have the backing of his own coach as well as respect from his opponents.



Showing his experience as an All-State trainer, Danny Poole readjusts a player's helmet.



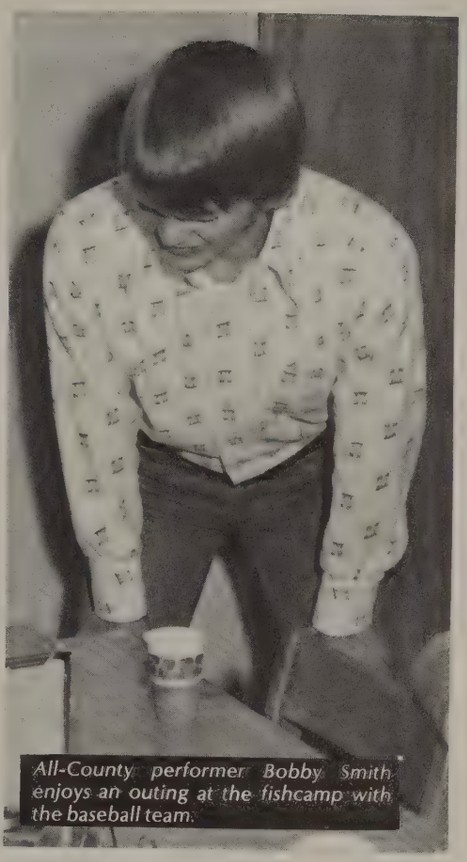
In the on-deck circle, All-County Catcher Robin Tench prepares himself before going to bat.



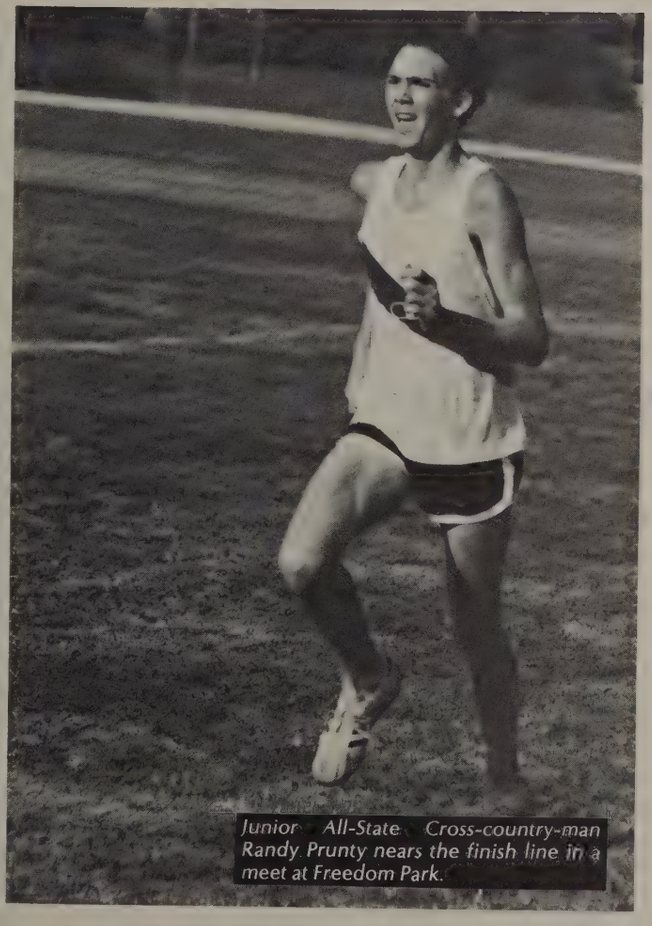
During homecoming week, All-County punter Terry Wentzel shows spirit by wearing his jersey.

Danny Clouse, a member of the All-County Football Team, shows versatility as he wrestles.

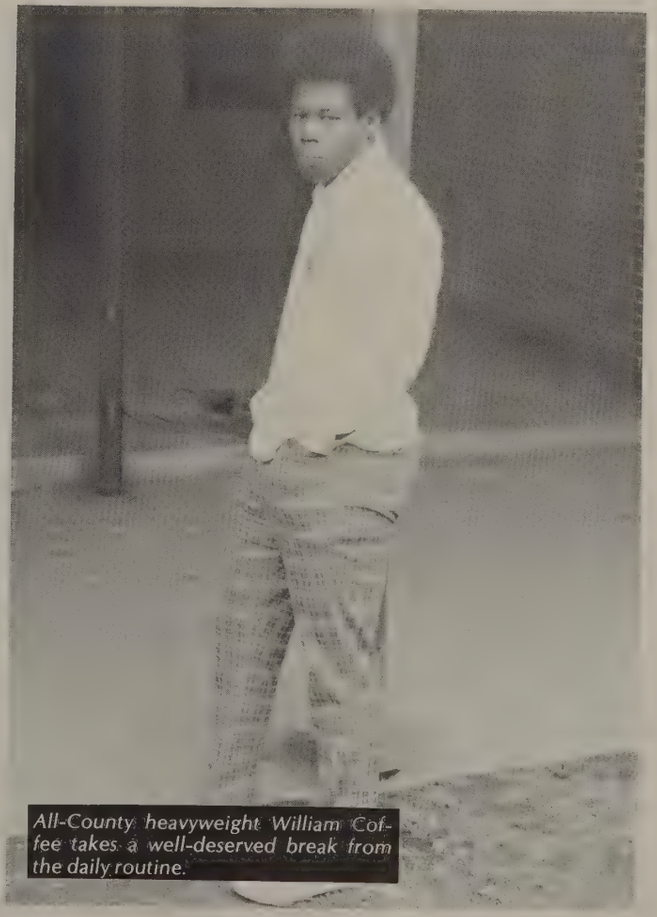
John Day, an All-County wrestler, works to break down his opponent in the 145-pound class.



All-County performer Bobby Smith enjoys an outing at the fishcamp with the baseball team.

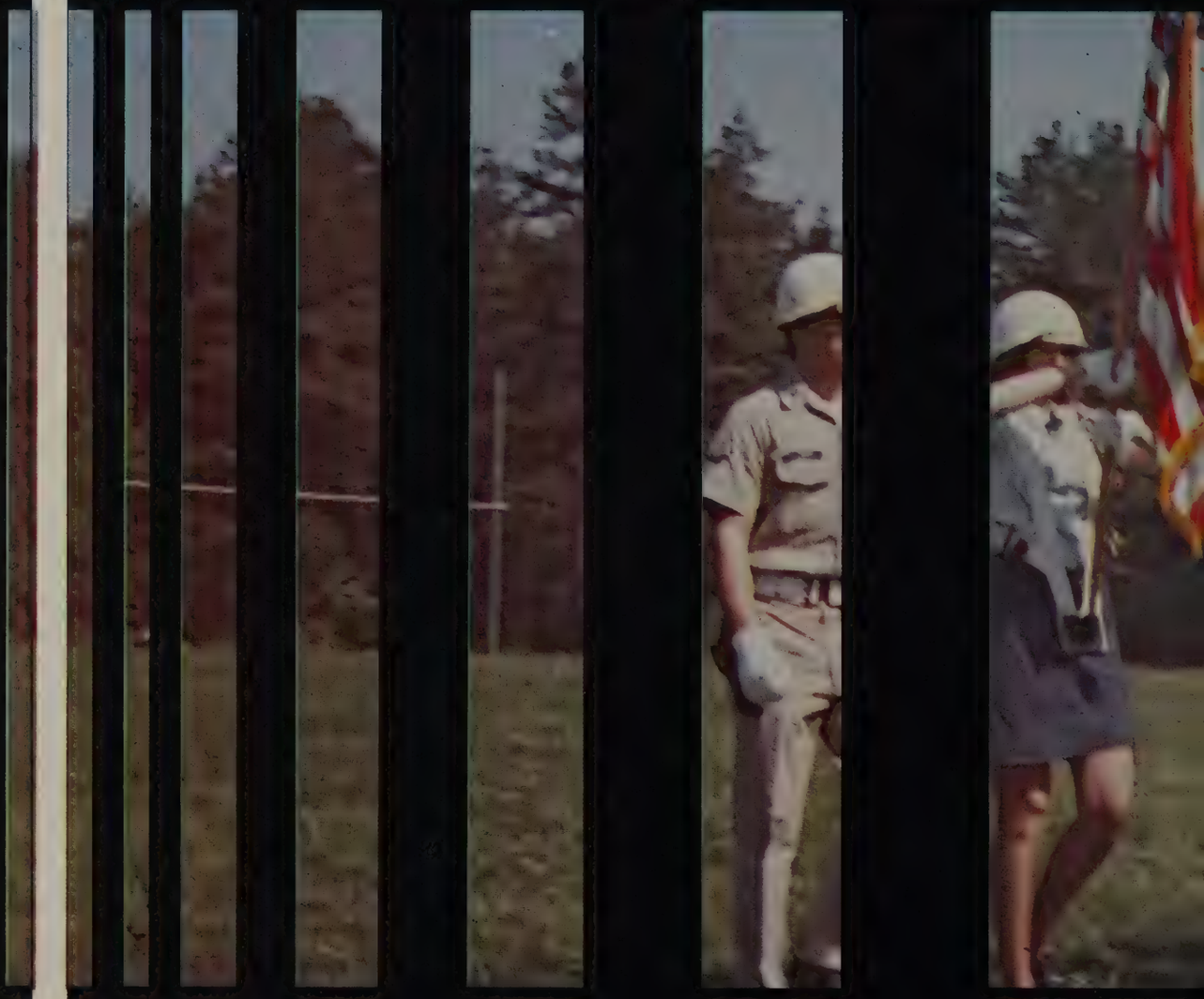


Junior All-State Cross-country-man Randy Prunty nears the finish line in a meet at Freedom Park.



All-County heavyweight William Coffee takes a well-deserved break from the daily routine.

Change became the new reality for many clubs and organizations. During the spring of 1973, the Fellowship of Christian Athletes was organized and, in a relatively short time, became the most active group associated with the school. Yet, lack of participation and interest caused membership in several organizations to decline steadily. Even though the school board ruled that transportation be provided for students participating after school in clubs, organizations,



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and athletics, few took advantage of this service. This change brought out the realization of apathy among the student body. However, clubs and organizations did work together to help begin a memorial to the late Mr. Charles Pearson, who had taught English here for twenty-two years before his death June 10. The National Honor Society coordinated its efforts with the faculty committee which had established the scholarship fund in honor of Mr. Pearson.

ng among change

Cheerleaders work hard, produce dance routines, purchase new uniforms

Combining hard work and long hours of practice paid off for the varsity and the Jayvee cheerleaders. Adding a variety of modern dance routines, they tried to create an atmosphere of spirit and enthusiasm at the games and to invoke spirit into the student body. Also, the girls made up several new cheers; two favorites were "Standing on the Verge" and "Agitate Your Mind."

Members of both squads were faced with students having a severe case of "apathetics" because of the losing record of both football teams. Attempting to revive the student body out of the doldrums, the "yell-leaders" planned pep rallies and produced unique programs. However, their smiles, shouts, and stomps were often not enough to liven the spirits of the spectators.

In an effort to up-date their uniforms, the varsity squad chose a new design — pleated skirts with maroon and white plaid inserts and a vest trimmed with the plaid. This gave them a western look. Because of a low budget, a fund raising drive to pay for the uniforms was necessary. The girls sold maroon and white pom-pom shakers during homecoming and candles at Christmas.

The basketball season had a number of high spots for the girls as the varsity roundballers began by winning four consecutive games.

As the school year ended, the girls were recognized for their dedication and support of the sports program at the annual athletic banquet in the spring.

ABOVE RIGHT: At the homecoming game, Renee Camp urges the team to break its tie with South.

RIGHT: Assisting the varsity spirit boosters, the Jayvees yell for the crowd to "come alive."

LEFT: The rainy night does not dampen Rhonda Klein's spirit as the Indians defeat Hickory.

ABOVE: Cynthia McMurray looks on in disbelief as East makes its second touchdown.

BELOW: The varsity cheerleaders practice in the cafeteria lobby for the upcoming football game.

Representing Tribe, majorettes, Indianettes, flag girls

ABOVE: Using maroon and white banners, the flag girls add color to halftime activities.

TOP RIGHT: Majorettes, Indianettes, and flag girls accompany the band during the Carrousel Parade.

RIGHT: On the final day of flag girl and Indianette judging, Margo Hipp rehearses her routine.

march in annual Thanksgiving Carrousel Parade

Twenty-five girls dressed in maroon and white complemented the music of the Marching Indians. The flag girls, Indianettes, and majorettes, marching gracefully in precision style, added color, sparkle, vim, vitality, and enthusiasm to football halftime performances. In addition to these halftime shows, the girls performed dance routines during pep rallies and marched in local holiday parades.

The Indianettes drilled after school several days a week, developing precision, coordination, rhythm, and perfection in all their moves. To add a flair to their dances, they combined cartwheels, hand stands, splits, and other acrobatics into their performances. The flag girls worked out routines which they performed with the band, changing from a traditional marching group to a performing one. The most popular dance which the flag girls and Indianettes perfected was done to the music from "The Sting." They also attended the basketball games and helped boost the team by cheering.

Majorettes added new dimensions to halftimes performances by using their batons to illustrate modern music. They highlighted their act with fire batons and featured twirlers.

Another change was the addition of a mascot to the Indianettes and flag girls. Amanda Barbee marched and performed with these groups.

LEFT: Indianette Carol Guthrie boogies to music of the band at the game against Myers Park.

ABOVE: Ellen Williford laughs at Leslie Linker's attempt to hold her hand during initiations.

Fellowship gains spiritual insight with Bible study

Meeting on Monday nights, members of the West Fellowship participated in Christian harmony. The sessions concentrated on studying the Bible, witnessing, and singing. The group was formed so participants could gain spiritual insight.

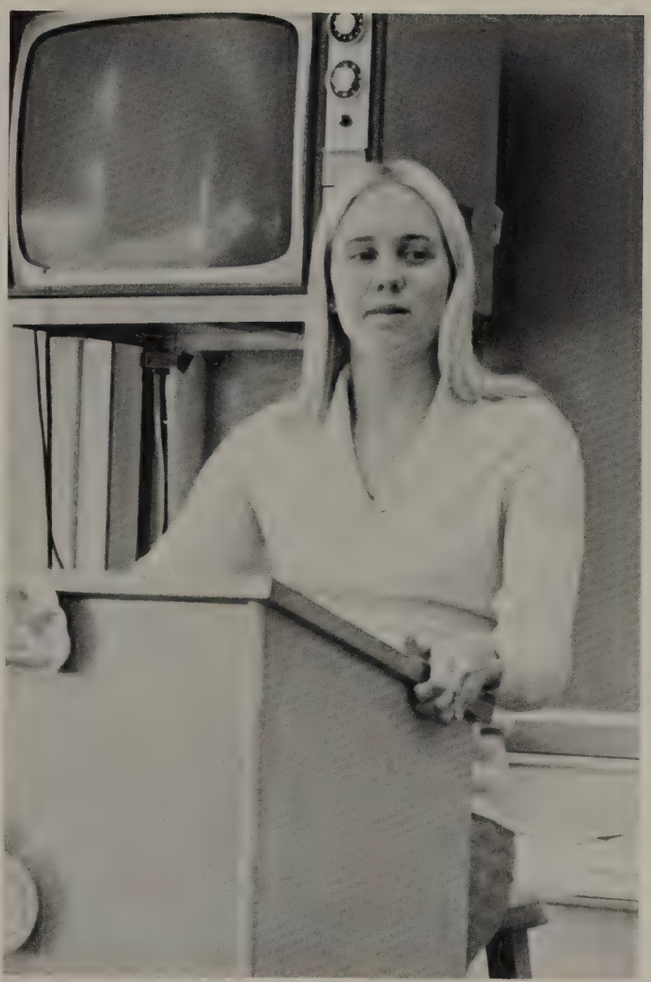
Power of praise affected the lives of these students who learned the joy of developing into spirit-filled Christians. One aspect of their meetings was group discussions in prayer. They also listened to tapes, records, and guest speakers. Because of their interest, the group began the informal prayer group which met in the student lounge before class each morning.

Evidence of the increasing popularity of leading the "abundant" life included the devotional each day via the intercom.

RIGHT: At Moore's Park Community Center, Tim Helms witnesses through Christian music.

BELOW: Bible study is a vital part of the growing faith of students in the West Fellowship.

BELOW RIGHT: During the weekly meeting, participants lift their voices to the Lord in song.



Members join in fellowship, prepare service projects

In an effort to join in Christian fellowship and to show their beliefs, a number of students became Bible Club members. The purpose of their club was to teach young people to practice the Biblical teaching of being helpful to others. Members met twice a month to have fellowship and to plan projects of interest and helpfulness; the club tried to have a service project every month. A trip to Presbyterian Hospital's pediatrics ward for a Halloween party highlighted their year in service. Other activities included a trip to Lineburger's Fish Camp for fellowship, fun, and food. To celebrate Valentine's Day, members took small favors to a rest home and visited with the patients.

In an effort to support their activities, the club voted to sell stationery, greeting cards, and note paper. By helping people, these students learned more about themselves and also the importance of the quotation "by giving you shall also receive."

TOP LEFT: Bible Club president Cathy Ramsaur proposes service projects for the upcoming months.

LEFT: Mrs. Linda Teague cheers up a little girl at the Halloween party at Presbyterian Hospital.

BELOW: Listening as plans are discussed to attend Lineburger's, members decide on the date.

Language clubs familiarize members with culture

Adding dimension to language education, the French and Spanish clubs familiarized students with the customs and cultures of French and Spanish speaking people.

The French Club made and sold key chains in the cafeteria lobby during lunch as a fund raising project. Also with the help of the Science Club, they sponsored a paper drive. Proceeds from both of the projects were contributed to the Pearson Memorial Scholarship Fund. At Christmastime members watched a home-made movie from the poem, "The Night Before Christmas," that the French III class prepared.

The Spanish Club, which was open to any Spanish student, exposed its members to the various customs of the Spanish people. A bake sale was held in December to raise money for their club. Members prepared their baked goods in the Home Economics Department and sold them at Freedom Drive Mall. This club also contributed the money made from this project to the Pearson Memorial Scholarship Fund.

TOP RIGHT: Mrs. Pappas ties Vicki Barret's hair as she works making cookies for the bake sale.

RIGHT: After making a sale, Cathy Townsend finds the correct change to give the customer.

TOP LEFT: As projects are discussed, Gerri Ann Smith listens, trying to make a decision.

ABOVE: Hazel Blackburn adjusts the T.V., as French Club members view a special presentation.

LEFT: Amy Dale stirs the batter of a cake she is preparing for the Spanish Club Bake Sale.

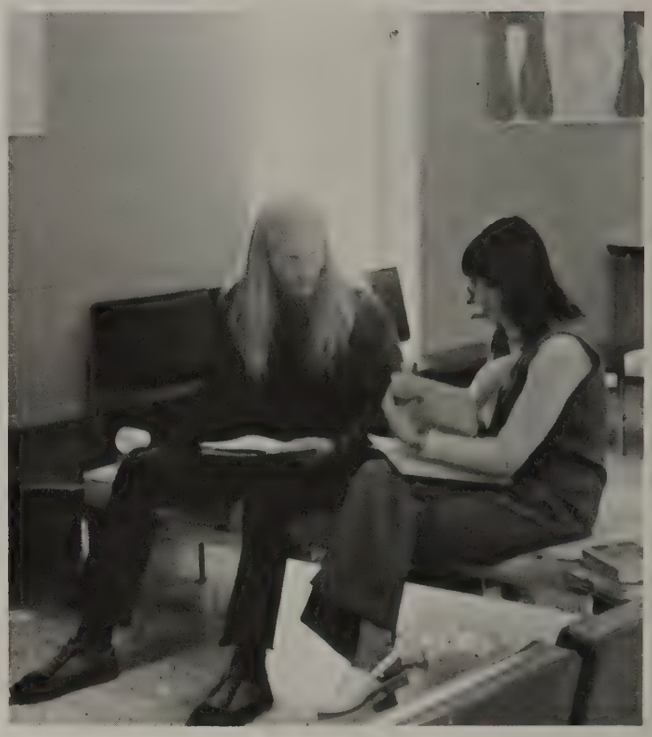
Delayed elections cause lack of spirit in Council

Student Council elections, delayed because the school board ruled last spring that no officers could be elected until the federal court approved the desegregation plan, finally were held October 14. Candidates were allotted time to make speeches over the intercom; however, few took advantage of it. Most did their campaigning via posters.

Ginger Griffin was elected secretary-treasurer but a run-off election between Charlie Smith and Rhonda Kelley for president and Ellen Williford and Gary Hunsucker for vice-president was necessary. This was conducted October 17 with Charlie and Ellen winning the run-off.

Perhaps the lateness in conducting elections caused the lack of interest in the Student Council. Few meetings were held, and the number of activities dwindled as students seemed to have the "apathetics."

While races were maintained for those desiring positions of honor, and offices held sparkle for those desiring the limelight, most students remained "in the wings." Even though votes were cast and students took office, little evidence of their efforts were seen. When the 'Tomahawk' went to the printer February 28, the Sophomore Class had not elected officers for the 1974-75 school year.



Steve Cassell, Lester Worthy, Terrie Diggs, Rhonda Kelley, Charlie Smith, Ellen Williford, Ginger Griffin, Eric Fields.

TOP RIGHT: Ginger Griffin and Paul Jernigan discuss plans for a possible 1950's sock-hop.

SENIOR HOMEROOM REPRESENTATIVES, FIRST ROW: Senetra Chambers, Pam Covington, Teresa Hasty, Cathy Ramsaur. SECOND ROW: Robbin Kilgore, Lynn Coleman, Cathy McKeen. THIRD ROW: Jimmy Pinkston, John Day, Dale Wright. BACK ROW: Jeff Featherstone, Jesse Younge.

JUNIOR HOMEROOM REPRESENTATIVES, FIRST ROW: Gloria Futrelle, Kathy Carter, Lynn Warrick, Jodie Todd, Diann Starnes. SECOND ROW: Renee Cathey, Kathy Wilkinson, Sylvia Gaither, Denise Howie. BACK ROW: Randy Prunty, David Motley, Dale Capps.

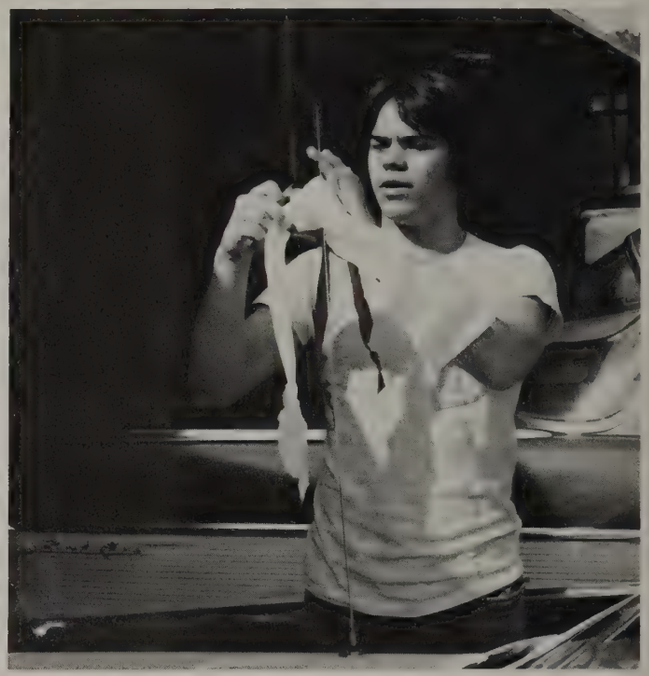
SOPHOMORE HOMEROOM REPRESENTATIVES, FIRST ROW: Donna Broome, Elaise Ellison, Patti Helms, Marsha Dellinger, Mary Bouler. SECOND ROW: Cassandra Davis, Roxanne Harrison, Mary Cavin. THIRD ROW: Chipper Cline, Bill Gardner, Beverly Briggs. BACK ROW: Steve Winters, Ronnie Townsend, Paul Hutchinson, Gary Tolbert.

Enthusiastic students make up Spirit Committee

A group of enthusiastic students joined together made up the School Spirit Committee. Although the committee's membership was open to all students, only twenty-five girls joined. They met every Monday to prepare posters, signs, and banners that announced the up-coming sports events. They posted these throughout the school; and on the nights of games, they were responsible for transporting the signs to wherever the team was playing. They attempted to bolster the morale of the team and of the student body.

In preparation for homecoming, this committee joined with the cheerleaders to plan "Spirit Week." Throughout the week, they sold spirit strips to seniors, juniors, and sophomores who competed to form the longest chain. On Wednesday of that week, the committee sold suckers to symbolize "Lick 'Em Day." As the grand finale, a pep rally was planned; and the girls presented to the student body the footabll players' ideas on "Love Is . . ."

February 14 marked one of the committee's final activities of the year: an appreciation party for the basketball players. During fifth period team members were served punch and cookies.



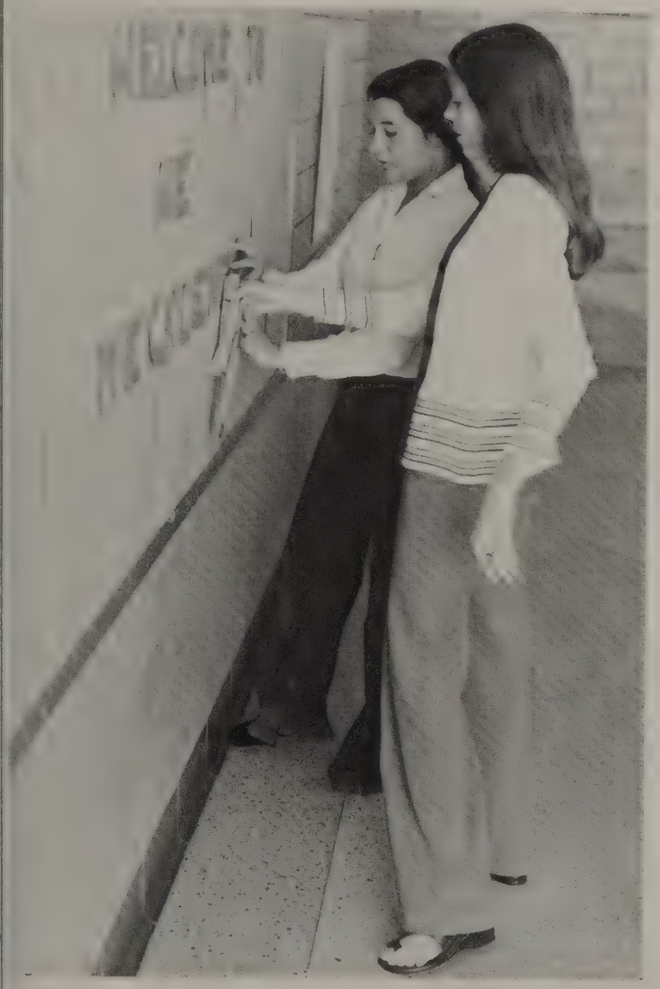
TOP RIGHT: David Motley helps decorate cars for the spirit train going to the homecoming game.

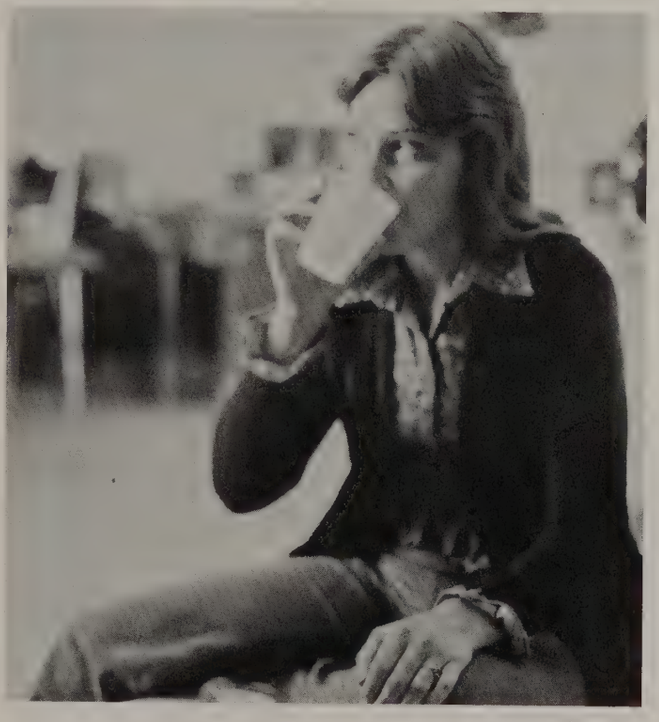
ABOVE: Members listen as Mrs. Cindy Smith tells them of plans for the activities during homecoming.

LEFT: Spirit Committee members parade across the gym as they prepare for the pep rally.

BOTTOM LEFT: Kathy Wilkinson and Becky McGee prepare a bulletin board for the opening of school.

BELOW: After painting signs for the Olympic-West football game, Renee Cathey takes a break.



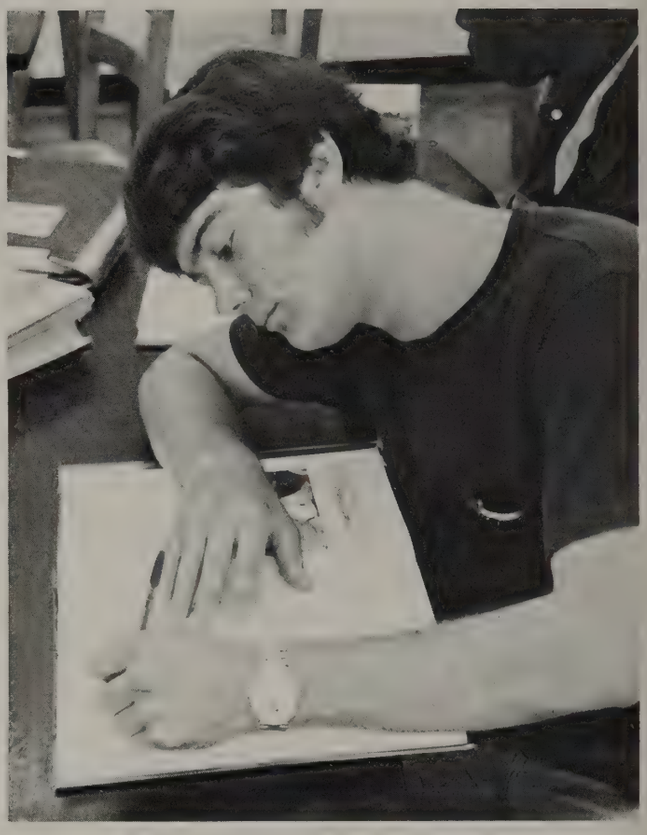


'Tomahawk' staffers implement changes in theme

Choosing "Change: The New Reality" as its theme, the 1975 **Tomahawk** *staff attempted to preserve the yearbook's tradition while adding a touch of originality. Some of the innovations incorporated into the annual included action shots of clubs instead of group pictures; the staff attempted to cover all club events. Including a directory for clubs and organizations and a fold-out which featured the Marching Indians were other changes.*

After meeting four deadlines, the staff reflected on the hectic months spent compiling the pages that, when bound, recorded another year of West Mecklenburg history. Staffers could remember the eerieness of being the only ones in a deserted building at night and the trips to Hardees at 6:30 for french fries. They could laugh over the hundreds and hundreds of unidentified underclass pictures which they received from the photographer. Also, they could forget their disappointment over pictures which a staffer did not make of some special event and the long hours spent after school because the final product made their attempt to attain perfection worthwhile.

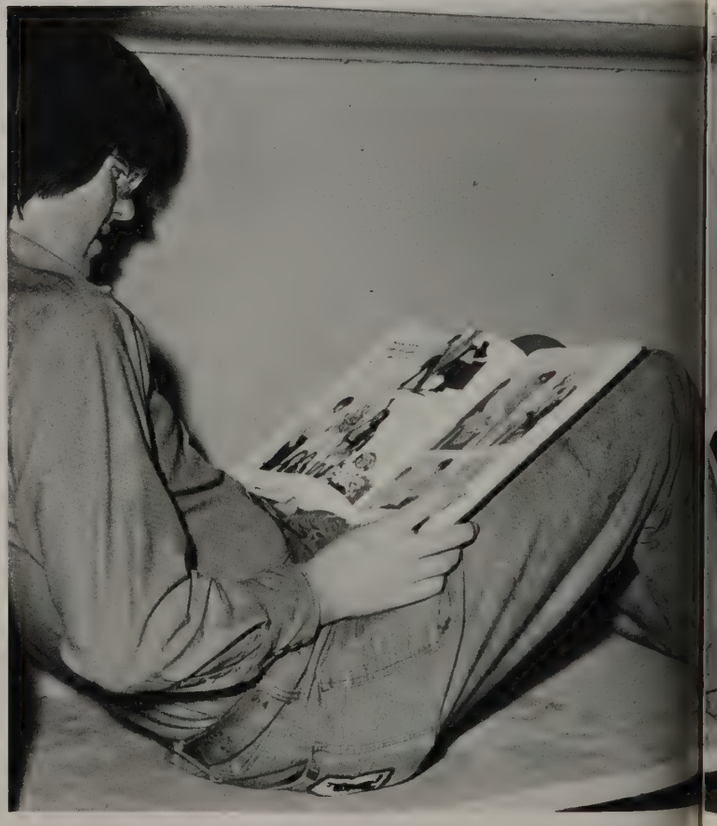
Winning two of the highest national awards for high school publications, the '74 **Tomahawk** *received the Medalist rating from Columbia Scholastic Press and an A+ award from the National School Yearbook Association. Because of these recognitions, the '75 staff was faced with the challenge of keeping up the award-winning tradition of the* **Tomahawk.**

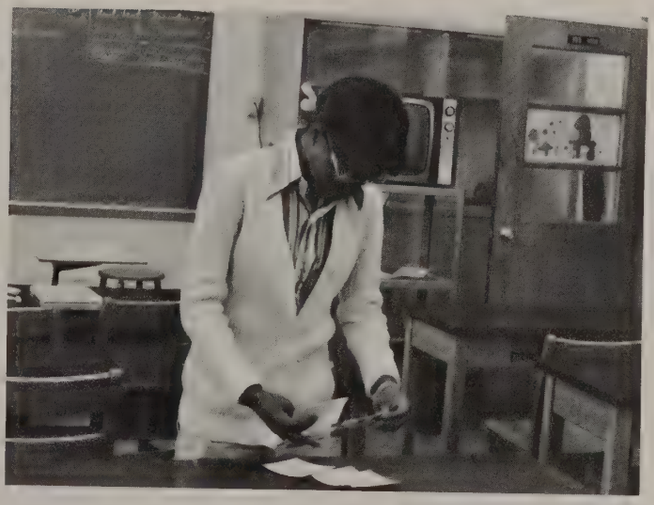


TOP RIGHT: Mike King reviews the critique received from Columbia Scholastic Press Association.

BELOW: Teresa Burns checks the contents of her folder before turning it in to be mailed to Delmar.

RIGHT: Occupying his favorite seat, Tom Query looks at an exchange annual for new photographic ideas.





TOP LEFT: Laurea O'Shields uses emphasis as she explains the procedure of cropping pictures.

TOP RIGHT: Janet Gupton shows delight as Pam Bridges points out a picture on the contact sheet.

LEFT: Lou Ann Hager and Lisa Grigg study picture plans while waiting on the photographer.

ABOVE: Searching for a picture to complete her spread, Regina Lowery examines photographs.

'Tomahawk' business staff works to finance annual

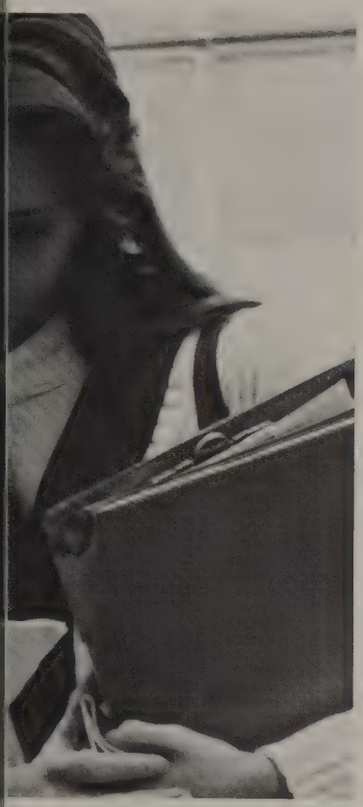
Working diligently to finance the annual, business staff members sold advertisements to merchants in their assigned sections of the city for the 1975 "Tomahawk." Members began selling ads during August before school started. Business staffers were excused from classes on September 11 and 19 to call on the remaining firms in their assigned areas. An individual goal of selling one hundréd dollars of ads was set for each of the twenty staffers. Even though they were four hundred dollars short of their total goal, Mrs. Peggy McCarter, business staff adviser, felt their efforts were successful because of the tight money market.

Business staff members were also responsible for taking orders for the 1975 "Tomahawk" and for distribution in the spring. Business Manager Brenda Cannon and her assistant, Janet Moore, organized the copy of the advertisements sold and prepared them for printing in the annual. Billing businesses began in March and continued until the yearbooks arrived in May.

RIGHT: Becky McGee discusses a possible contract with business assistant, Janet Moore.

BELOW: During a party at the Polar Palace, Susan Castles attempts to perfect her skating skill.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Ellen Williford and Leslie Linker work on jumps for the Homecoming routine.



ABOVE: Coordinating the work of the staff, business manager Brenda Cannon lists possible buyers.

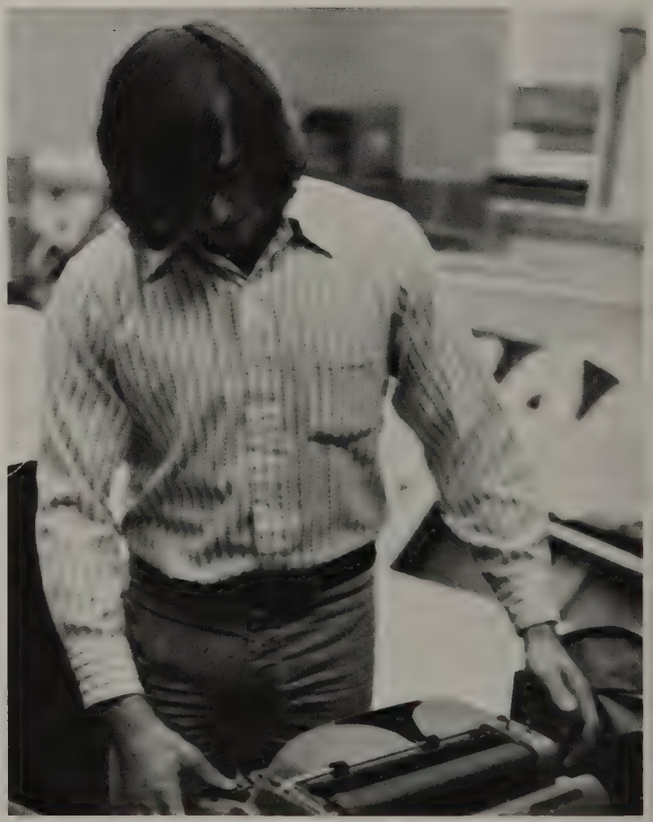
LEFT: Kim Witherspoon works to prepare a bulletin board for the beginning of school.

'Bow and Arrow' staff works, strives to include new journalistic methods

Twenty-nine members on the 'Bow and Arrow' worked together and attempted to include new journalistic trends as they published their quarterly newspaper. They made noticeable changes in the newspaper format. Using a new printer — Wing Publications — the staff was able to publish more and larger issues.

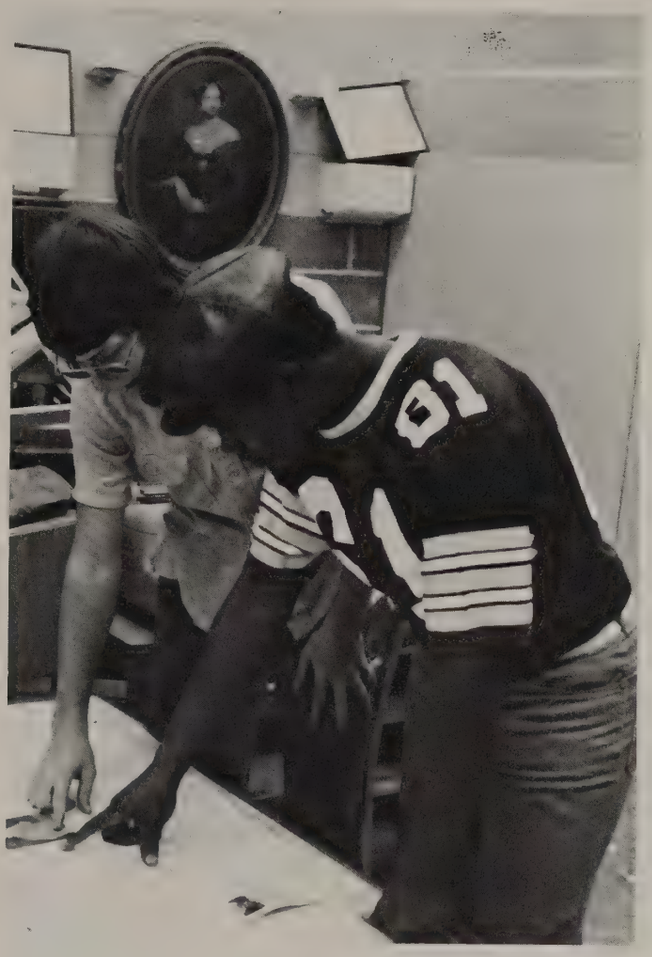
Also, a creative writing column — Indian Inkings — was continued. A new section — "Klub Korner" — gave information on the activities of clubs and organizations. Editor-in-chief Kathy Hart attended a WBTV High School Convocation, October 18 featuring Miss Cicely Tyson, award winning television and movie actress. Kathy, Kim Burns, and Ginger Griffin attended a seminar at Knight Publishing Company, January 25 covering new laws and new Supreme Court interpretations of existing laws concerning the first amendment.

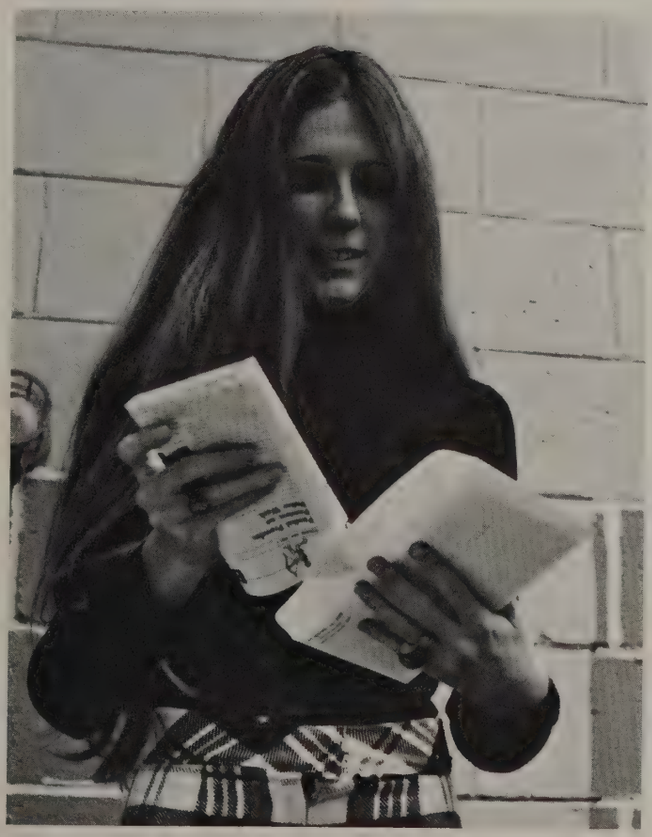
Staffers exchanged papers with thirty high schools in North Carolina and other states. Because of the rising cost of postage, it was necessary to reduce the number of exchange papers. Students were encouraged to write letters to the editors on matters concerning the student body.



TOP RIGHT: Gary Hull, business manager, completes carbon copies of advertising contracts.

RIGHT: Gary Hunsucker adjusts the typewriter before typing the final copy of his editorial.





TOP LEFT: Foreign exchange student Klaus Kristensen carefully trims a dummy for future use.

ABOVE: T. C. McClain and Dale Wright evaluate a layout that will appear in the next edition.

LEFT: Editor Kathy Hart reviews the mail from other newspaper staffs throughout the system.

Cub reporters train for positions on staff

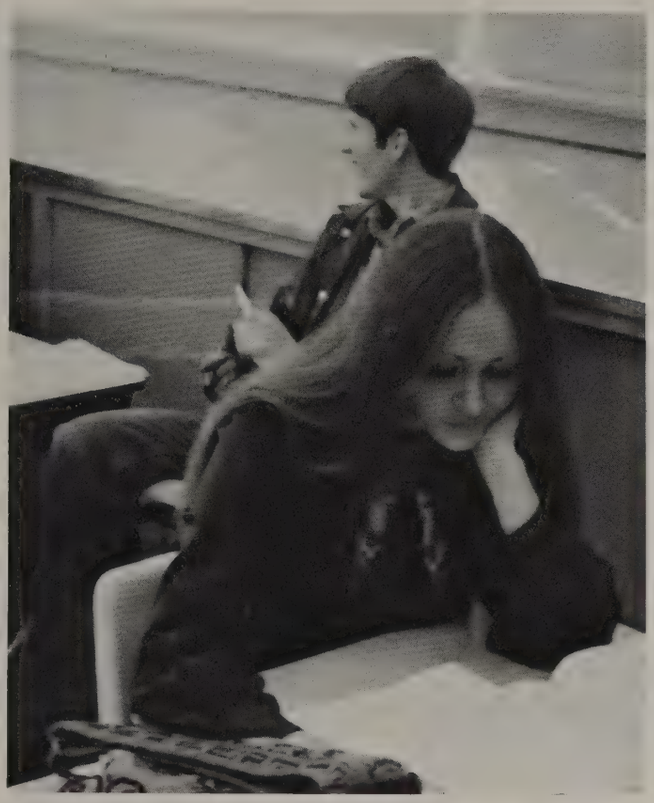
First-year members of the newspaper staff served as cub reporters and were in training as assistants to the senior editors. The one area on which the cubs were entirely in charge of was the new column "Klub Korner." They reported activities of the clubs and organizations in the column.

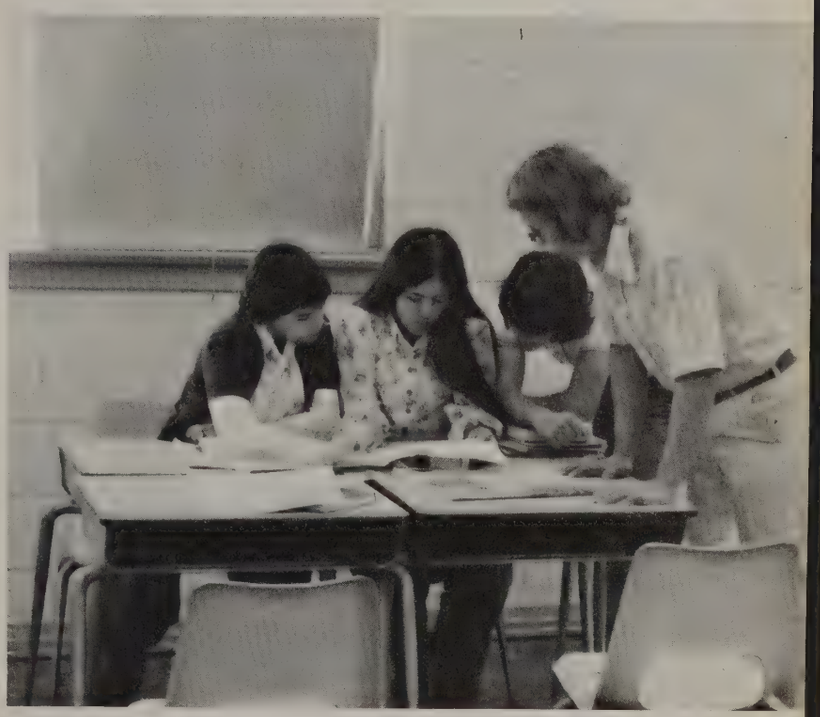
Cubs assisted "Bow and Arrow" staffers by gathering the news, compiling it, and writing and rewriting until they were satisfied with it. Other areas in which they assisted were selling ads, thinking of feature ideas, laying out the paper, and doing "leg work" to get stories.

The last issue of the newspaper was done entirely by the cubs who were now full-fledged editors looking forward to the coming year when they would have cubs assigned to them.

TOP RIGHT: Mike Gurley ponders possible topics for future "Bow and Arrow" feature articles.

RIGHT: Kim Burns checks over the "Klub Korner" section for its final approval before turning it in.





TOP LEFT: Junior Gloria Futrelle works diligently to complete an article before the deadline.

LEFT: By proofreading before she types the master copy, Joyce Moore avoids numerous errors.

ABOVE: Junior members of the "Bow and Arrow" staff search previous editions for ideas.

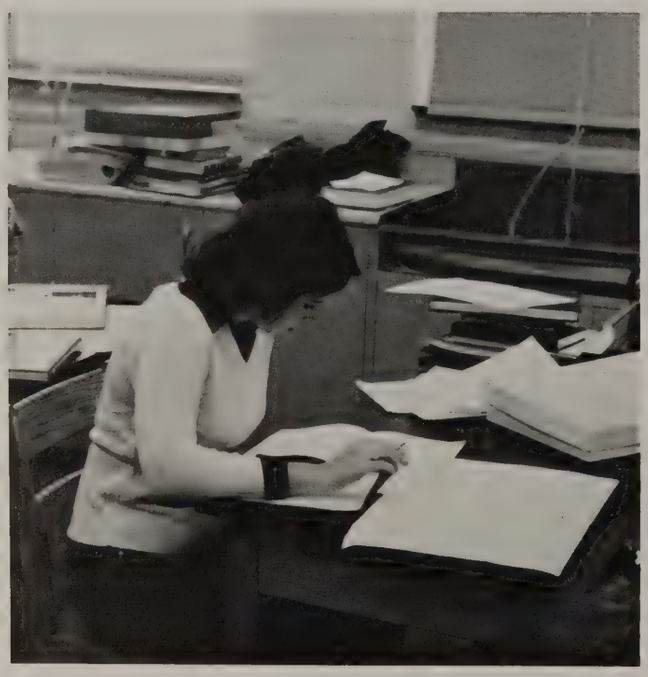
Assistants learn technique of yearbook journalism

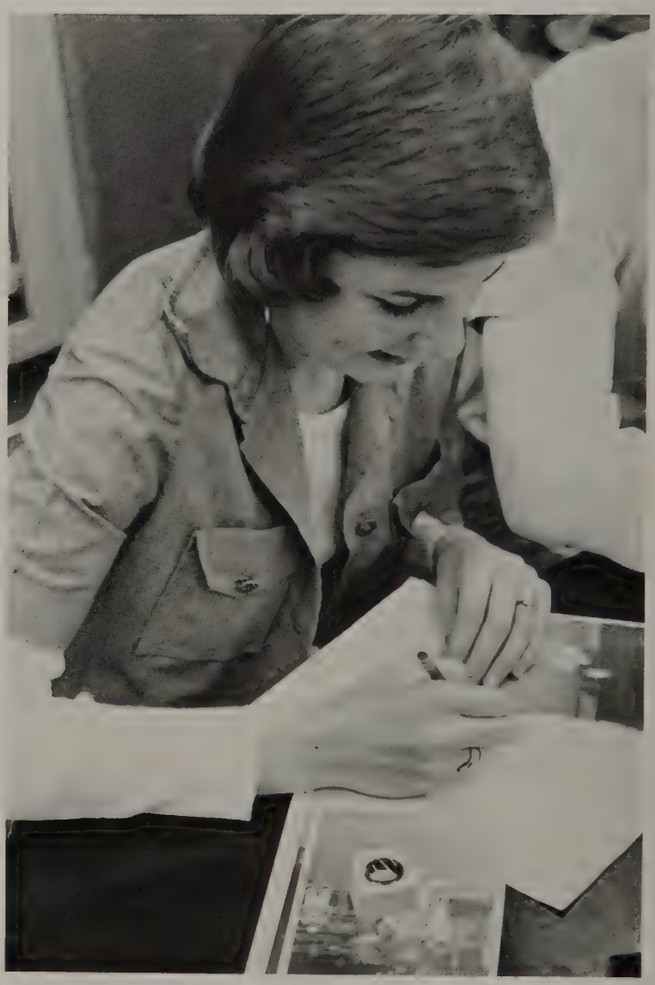
Striving to learn and to master the techniques of yearbook journalism, the fifteen junior assistants worked with senior editors on the '75 'Tomahawk.'

These assistants learned to write copy, headlines, and captions to best express the happenings of the school year and to preserve the memories in a journalistic endeavor with which the student body would be pleased. They learned to choose pictures to portray the "story of West" and to crop them.

Classwork before the juniors were assigned to senior editors involved learning journalistic principles and trends in yearbook journalism. They did this through working in class and by examining award-winning annuals from other schools.

After the '75 annual went to the printer, the junior assistants, realizing they were responsible for publication of the next yearbook, set about to choose a theme and to keep up with spring happenings so these could be included in the '76 'Tomahawk.'





TOP RIGHT: As the last pages of the annual are turned in to Delmar, Mary Mattox shows relief.

ABOVE: Junior Donna Durham prepares to draw up a dummy for a curriculum layout.

RIGHT: Mary Ann Guy, junior sports assistant, crops pictures for the varsity football spread.

TOP RIGHT: Jimmy Ranson listens for instructions on when his spread should be completed.

ABOVE: Sylvia Gaither, class assistant, works diligently sorting underclass pictures.

LEFT: Cards for sophomores which will be used in the index are alphabetized by Ann Mozeley.

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BELOW: During a business meeting, FCA members listen to a discussion of religious values.

Choir selects new attire, gives innovative program

Attempting to change the image of the organization, the Choir voted to do away with the traditional robes and make new outfits. The group chose one which added style and elegance to their appearance. The girls wore long white dresses while their male counterparts wore burgundy slacks, white long-sleeved shirts, and burgundy ties. The Westones chose long white dresses for their attire.

Members tried hard to prove capability under the leadership of a new director, Mrs. Ann Beach. Their first public appearance was November 21 when they presented a Hootenanny to third-period classes. Dressed appropriately, the group chose music to fit the theme. Special guest artists Ronnie Huggins and Gary Pope, accompanying themselves on guitars, sang several selections.

Other changes in the Fine Arts Department were effected with the addition of Mr. Paul Simpson, who assisted Mrs. Margaret Spainhour with the orchestra. He worked with several promising students each day in the auditorium, thereby helping improve the quality of their performance.

The choirs, Westones, and orchestra combined to present a holiday program — "Christmas—Past and Present" — on December 12. This was the first joint effort for both groups. Talent and enthusiasm were just two of the ingredients which helped create a successful program. Special selections included Handel's "Pastoral Symphony" from THE MESSIAH, Mozart's "Austrian Sleigh Ride," and "Do You Hear What I Hear?"

Beginning the new semester, the groups began planning for spring presentations, culminating a year of learning and entertaining.

WESTONES: Mrs. Ann Beach, Barbra Price, Lynn Coleman, Joy Eppes, Carol Troutman, Cindy Underwood, Joyce Ledbetter, Yvonne Williams, Teresa Burns, Robbin Kilgore, Amy Dale, Molly Hall, Beth Rose.

CHORUS I, II: FIRST ROW: Mrs. Ann Beach, Tonya Horton, Debbie Harris, Sandra Johnston, Cynthia McCauley, Cynthia Starr, Neomia Gregory, Cindy Tanner, Gwen Wilson, Mary Harden, Gail Sutton SECOND ROW: Ray Lewis, Jeannie Short, Teresa Woodrow, Patricia Chapman, Joyce Bradshaw, Lynn Lathan, Sharon Tadlock, Nancy Blackburn, Nita Lutz, Maggie Clark, Anne Rogers BACK ROW: Mark McIntyre, Ronnie Huggins, Merle McCauley, David Morgan, Calvin Shepherd, Mike McCauley, Marlene Rendleman, Susan Burrell, Jay Martin, Lori Stromberg.

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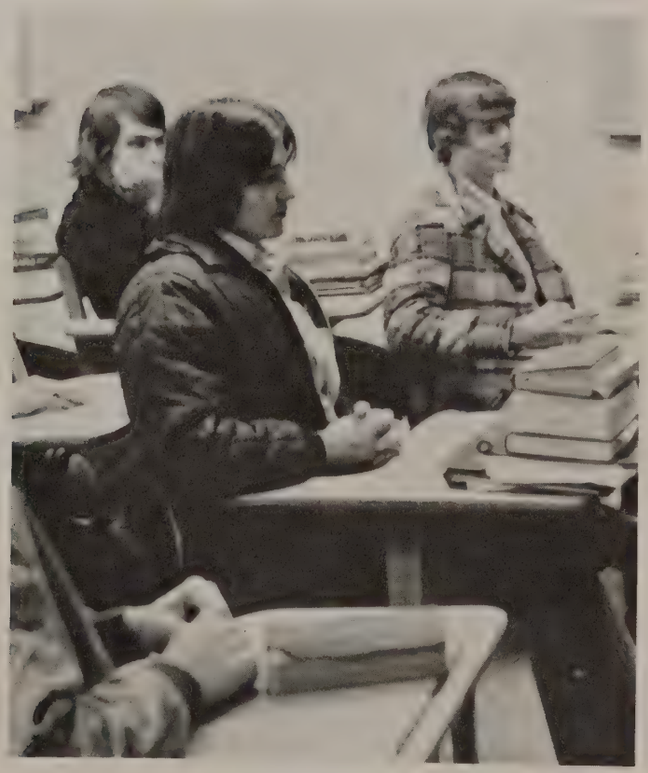


Marching Indians add color, sparkle to games

The Marching Indians, eighty members strong, under the direction of Mr. Donnell Cooper, marched and paraded proudly down the football field. Reduced in number because of student transfers to other schools under the new court-ordered desegregation plan, the band had to work extra hard to overcome this.

Led by drum major Gary Pope, whom Mr. Cooper called one of the best in the history of West, the musicians added sparkle to halftime shows and parades. Gary, the majorettes, flag girls, Indianettes, and individual bandsmen combined their talents to provide high-spirited entertainment for those who gathered to watch at the Carrousel Parade and the Mt. Holly Christmas Parade.

When winter came the concert season arrived. With it came the long practice sessions which added new tunes to concert repertoire. The bandsmen, performing for the entire student body on December 18, were featured in their annual Christmas program. They played traditional seasonal songs with a special arrangement of "Jingle Bell Fantasy." Following the holidays, they began work on technical studies. They endeavored to improve their skills in anticipation of their spring concert.

LEFT: The crowd focuses its attention on the band as it performs "Somewhere Over the Rainbow."

FIRST ROW: Carol Benton, Molly Hall, Marcy Richardson, Gary Pope, Nancy McLaurin, Kathy Jackson SECOND ROW: Mr. Donnell Cooper, Carol Guthrie, Denise Maxwell, Phyllis Faust, Vontina Simmons, Doris Threatt, Beth Sides, Debbie Christianson, Cathy McKeen, Tina Dixon, Kim Burns, Montressa Barbee, Yvonne Welch, Ellen Williford THIRD ROW: Joyce Ledbetter, Amy Moore, Sandy Crump, Teri Smith, Cheryl Miller, Renee Helms, Belle Sanders, Michelle Yancey, Robin Fox, Robin Fullerton, Antoinette Heath, Cathey Snider, Cathy Crane FOURTH ROW: Lib Sloan, Rodney Dellinger, Terry Dawkins, Ricky Holland, Denise Conner, Chris Sadler, Glenn Dunn, Johnny McCall, Geoffrey Gillespie, Tami Guinn, Ronnie Townsend, Toni Smith, Teresa Bradshaw FIFTH ROW: Leslie Linker, John Kennedy, Henry Alexander, John Strawser, Tony Black, Cedric Davis, Sam Donald, Randy Taylor, Gary Young, Jerry Ealey, Andree Reid, Randy Pressley, Adrian Duncan, Jean Anderson.

LEFT: Mr. Simpson directs the orchestra as they perform "On Top of Old Smokey" for the Hootenanny.

ORCHESTRA: FIRST ROW: Teresa Burns, Angela Sumpter, Lynn Coleman, Debbie Simmons, Sylvia McGill, Lisa Wilkinson, Robin Porter SECOND ROW: Ann Mozeley, Teresa Bradshaw, Doris Green, Sam Donald, Nancy McLaurin, Ricky Cox, Kim Crutchfield, Jeff Forester, Cynthia Lovvorn, Paul Jernigan, Cathy Townsend, Phil Shepherd, Joy Eppes, Robin Rozzelle, Amy Moore, Linda Jenkins, Kelly McKee BACK ROW: Mr. Paul Simpson, Darrell Hatley, Bill Lane, Tony Kidd, Mrs. Margaret Spainhour.

CHOIR: FIRST ROW: Mrs. Ann Beach, Carol Troutman, Joyce Moore, Nathan Anderson, Lynn Coleman, Phyllis Alexander, Millie Pfaff, June Lowery, Penny Prince SECOND ROW: Joy Eppes, Amy Dale, Geoffrey Withers, Denise Sanford, Cindy Underwood, Jackie Parsons, Molly Hall, Davida Barwick BACK ROW: Janet Auten, Barbra Price, Jerry Gilson, George Robinson, Sharon Dimsdale, Libby Joy, Darlene Auten.

Active group makes festive plans for Halloween

Known as HERO — Home Economics Related Occupations, the group led an active year. Open to students in the CEO or the CHEO programs, the club members built a haunted house at Tuckaseegee Elementary School and sponsored a party for students in the three elementary schools — Pawtuckett, Tuckaseegee, and Thomasboro — where they served as aides.

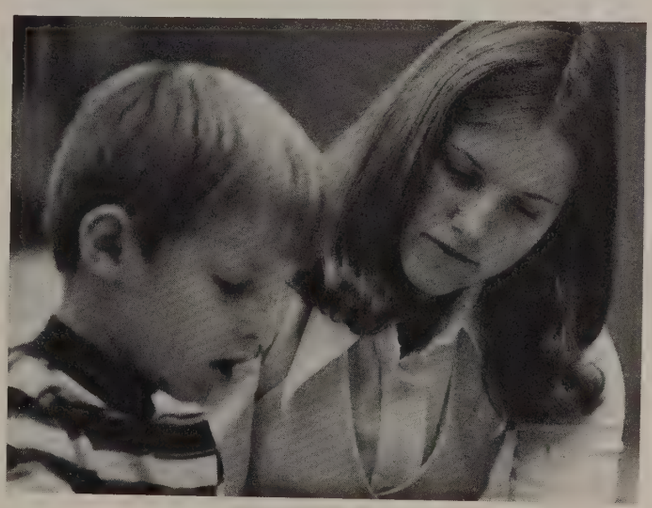
Students made articles and baked goods which they sold to members of the faculty and student body. The clubbers used the proceeds to sponsor a Christmas party for the children at Head Start.

The group toured the Instructional Media Center, Irwin Avenue Open School, and Myers Park Elementary Traditional School. They also were presented valentines from their "students." Their spring fund raising project was a candy sale. In an attempt to recruit students for the course in the 1975-76 year, students made pictures and prepared a slide presentation of members working with children at the three elementary schools.

LEFT: Cathy McCall is ready to assist John White as he struggles through his assignment.

BOTTOM LEFT: Terri Roberts portrays a witch on Halloween to the delight of the students.

BELOW: Tina Dixon listens while one of the students at Pawtuckett works to improve his reading.



Key Club, Civinettes work to serve school, others

The two service clubs — the Civinettes and the Key Club — had the same objective namely to build character and to serve school and community.

Both groups inducted new members in the fall. Six girls were initiated into the Civinettes, and fifteen boys became new Key Clubbers.

Joint efforts by the clubs included sponsoring a faculty car wash, November 4, and the wheelchair basketball game, December 7. Proceeds from the game were donated to the Pearson Memorial Scholarship Fund. They also visited Green Acres Rest Home during Christmas season. Members entertained the residents there.

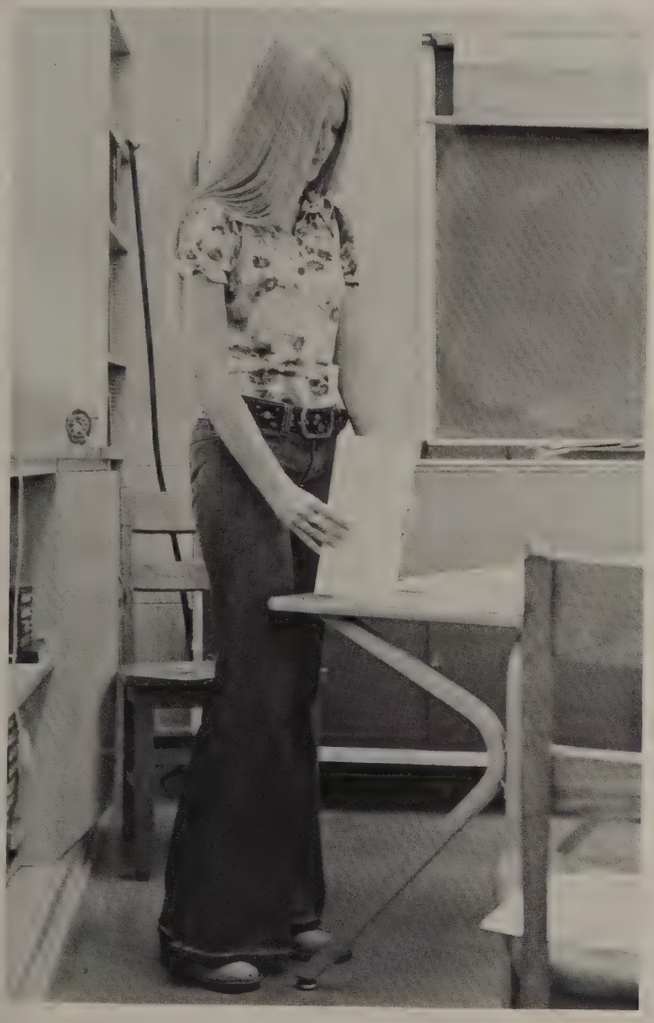
Projects of the Key Club included manning check points in the North Carolina Diabetes Bike-a-Thon, November 17, and purchasing a new trophy case to replace the old one in the gym. Members placed a plaque in the case honoring the late Dave Davenport. They also sold candy and made name plaques for the wrestlers and members of the basketball team.

The Civinettes sold fruit cakes and programs at the football games. They also were responsible for operating the concession stand during basketball games.

ABOVE RIGHT: During a time out, the wheelchair basketball players discuss their tactics.

ABOVE: Newly-elected members entertain students as they display their legs and talent at lunch.

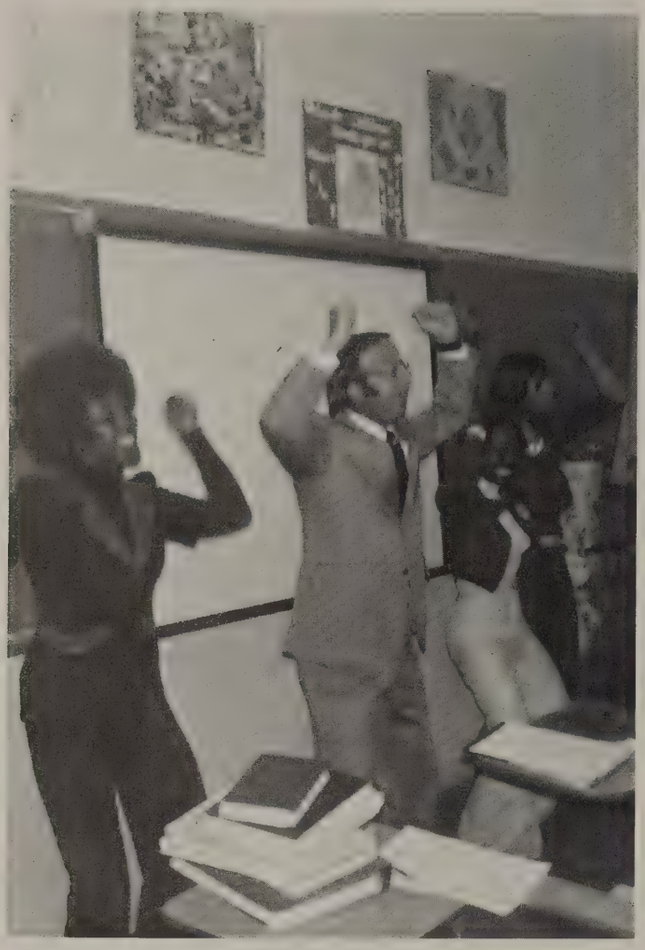
RIGHT: Robbie Gathings is caught in the act of changing his diaper during Key Club initiations.



TOP LEFT: Susan Castles takes Cathy McKeen's order for fruitcakes sold during the holidays.

LEFT: Working after school, Brenda Cathey strives to complete the Civinette handbook.

ABOVE: Mrs. Cline watches Becky McGee count the tickets for the wheelchair basketball game.



Meets, sales, contests highlight DE, COO year

Participating in district meetings and the state conference, selling candy, going on field trips, and sponsoring a boutique filled the time of Distributive Education Club members, who also worked half a day in the program.

At the District Leadership Conference, October 29, Carol Guthrie was elected president of the District DE Club and placed second in the Miss DECA Contest. Members took part in the Young Man and Woman of the Year Contest, February 4. Finalists were Carol and Richard Jackson. Students traveled to Asheville, March 14 for the State Leadership Conference.

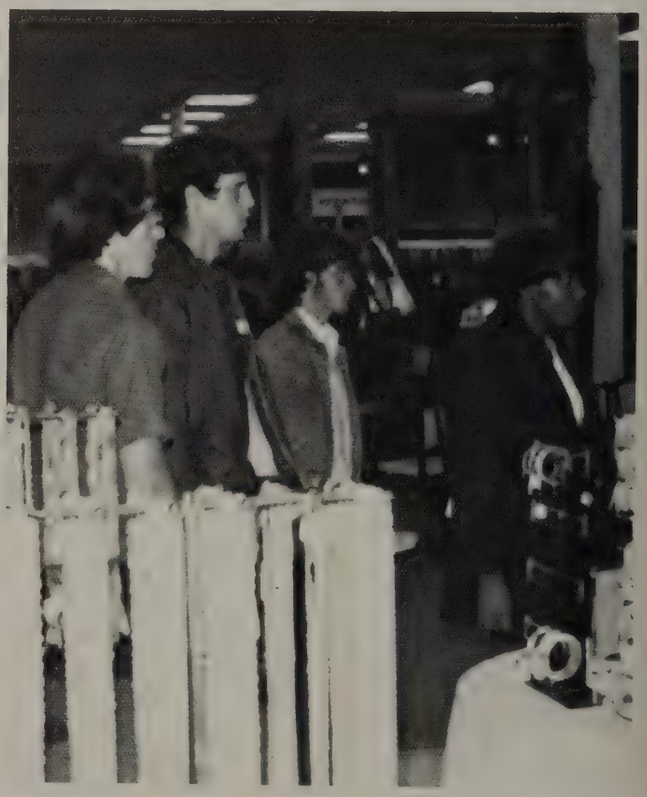
Other activities the DE Club participated in were a candy sale, a boutique, and the Boss of the Year Contest. They also attended an area Bosses' Banquet, April 9.

Another occupational club — the Cooperative Office Occupations — also undertook a number of activities. As a fund raising project, they sponsored a car wash in the spring at the Sunoco station on Little Rock Road. They also sold doughnuts and collected money and usable articles for Sandy Gibbs, a member whose family's house burned during the ice storm February 4. Highlighting the year COO students hosted their bosses at the annual banquet in the spring.

ABOVE: State DE Consultant Mr. Dan Bruffey does a dance with Carol Guthrie and Vontina Simmons.

BELOW: Manager Mr. James Sisk explains merchandising procedures to Vontina Simmons.

BELOW RIGHT: DE members tour Collins Company at Tryon Mall to see how a department store is operated.



LEFT: Standing on Little Rock Road, Janet Seagle holds a sign advertising the COO car wash.

BOTTOM LEFT: Concentrating on polishing a Toyota's bumper, Joy Seagle rubs with vigor.

BELOW: Susan Eisenhour scrubs diligently cleaning the muddy tires on a Duke Power truck.

Drivers accept task to transport students safely

Responsible for the safety of hundreds of students, the bus drivers were faced with an additional task — that of getting started much earlier than in previous years because of school beginning an hour earlier at 7:30 each morning. Many drivers ran double routes; they transported students to West and then returned to pick up the elementary and junior high students. They repeated this run each afternoon.

Even though the drivers had to keep the buses clean, to keep time cards, and to keep mileage and attendance information, many students continued to sign up for the bus-driving classes, which were held throughout the year.

With the return to Daylight Savings Time, drivers had to be extremely careful because of transporting students in the darkness.

Drivers planned an off-duty outing by challenging members of the AFJROTC to a basketball game February 6. The cadets won by a 39-11 score.

ABOVE RIGHT: Darlene Groves smiles as she waits for her students to find a seat.

RIGHT: Terry Lineberger turns to check the traffic before proceeding to pull out of the bus lot.

At the beginning of the year bus drivers assemble to hear general safety instructions.

Before starting her bus, Virginia Plyler checks to see that everything is functioning correctly.

Debbie Harris waits impatiently for her Coulwood students to finish boarding the bus.

ROTC cadets take part in extra activities, field trips

"Hup-two-three-four! Hup-two-three . . ."

Contrary to popular belief, the Junior ROTC program included other things besides marching. In addition to regular classroom activities taught by Lieutenant-Colonel Joe H. Banks and Master Sergeant Paul Guy, students enrolled in ROTC participated in a varied list of projects and activities.

In December the cadets attended the annual Military Ball for all area high school ROTC units. Robin Bolick and Sherry Johnston were chosen to represent the West Mecklenburg cadets as queens.

Field trips for the AFJROTC included a visit to nearby Morris Field on December 18. Here, the cadets boarded a C-130 Hercules for an orientation flight. They made two trips to Shaw Air Force Base, Sumter, South Carolina. In October they attended an open house and an air show. On February 28, they toured the base. These trips gave them a general understanding of the Air Force and of procedures as well as added realism to classroom discussion.

A first for the ROTC units in the Charlotte-Mecklenburg schools was the appointment of a girl as junior flight commander. This honor went to Connie Bennett of the West Mecklenburg AFJROTC.

TOP RIGHT: Larry Stewart is determined to do one more pull-up during the ROTC field day.

FRONT ROW: Sherry Johnston, Bobby Riggins, Paul Hutchinson, Junior Guin, Vivian Smith. SECOND ROW: Joey Taleton, Carl Foster, Chris Brown, Jerry Moore. BACK ROW: Terry Dawkins, Helena Spears, Gwen Barr, Glendora Harlee, Kim Bostick.

FIRST ROW: Lewis Van Leuven, Richard Kiser, Larry Stewart, Connie Bennett, Robin Bolick, Tim Helms, Ken Featherstone, Ron Whitaker.

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FIRST ROW: Rodney Moser, Preston Robertson, Andy Whitson, Gerald Wilburn, Ella Chalk, Sherman Randolf, Paul Bynum. BACK ROW: Mamie Patterson, Cindy Tanner, Victoria Gardner, Brian Grier, Sandra Boyd, Vivian Gardner.

Clubs plan projects, field trips, activities

Two groups — the Science Club and the Political Science Club — carried out a number of projects, field trips, and activities throughout the year.

The Science Club members, together with the French Club, conducted a paper drive. Proceeds went to the Charles W. Pearson Memorial Scholarship Fund. Members also sold periodic tables of the elements to chemistry and physics students. Climaxing the year, they attended the WBTV High School Convocation in Ovens Auditorium, February 21 to hear Dr. Rene Dubos, Pulitzer Prize winner and renowned ecologist.

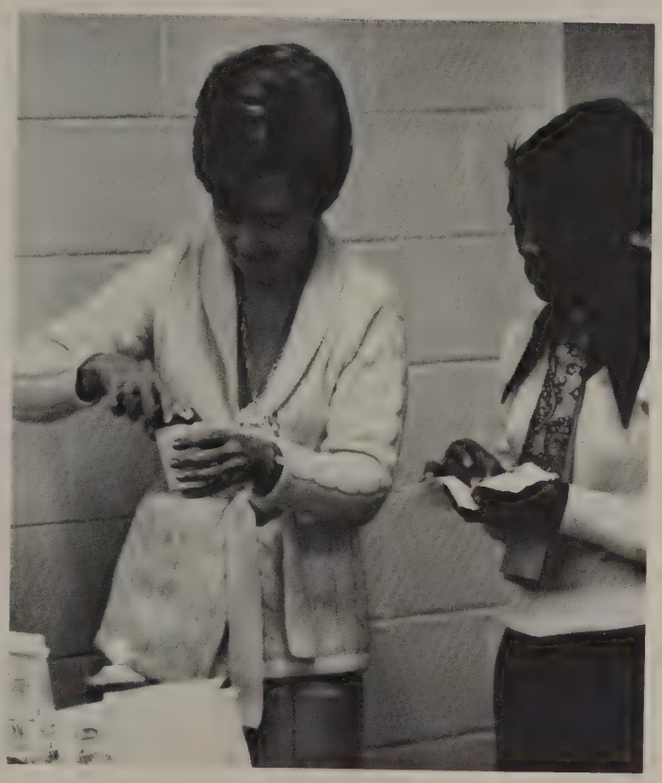
The Political Science Club was organized to give an outlet to students interested in governmental systems of America. Field trips were planned, and guest speakers were invited to the meetings.

TOP RIGHT: Lynn Warrick and Jimmy Pinkston sort and stack papers during the paper drive.

BELOW: John Carothers pays close attention as his opponent challenges him in a debate.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Before making her final decision to purchase a plaque, Tammy Griffin examines it.

Council chooses "Love Is . . ." theme for homecoming



Made up of presidents of clubs and representatives from organizations, the Interclub Council was responsible for homecoming activities. Choosing the theme "Love Is . . .," members sponsored a poster painting party at which representatives painted the names of their club or organization on signs to be carried onto the football field at halftime.

Designating February 10-14 as Club Week, the council attempted to acquaint the students with the purposes of the clubs open to them. During the week, announcements giving the purpose of the clubs and requirements for membership were placed in the daily bulletin. Three or four clubs were spotlighted each day. Posters used during homecoming festivities were displayed on the walls of the cafeteria highlighting the week.

LEFT: Interclub sponsor Mrs. Mary Harris, prepares hot chocolate for refreshments.

BELOW: Club members display their interpretation of the Interclub Council's theme, "Love is . . ."

Art club members paint posters, design programs

Open to all art students and to other invited students, the Art Club members offered their services to any area of school activities which needed artistic assistance. They helped paint posters, design programs and create decorations for various activities.

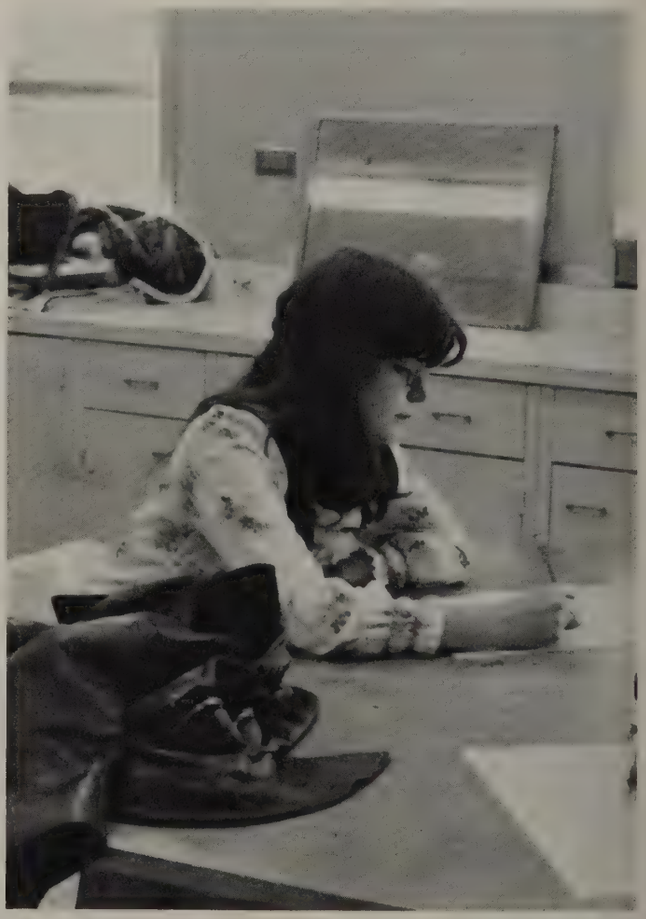
Activities included field trips, lectures, films and demonstrations. Serving as club adviser, Mrs. Peggy Weston accompanied eleven students to Queens College to hear international sculptor Arnaldo Palmadoro, who designed the "Grande Disc," which is on display at the NCNB Plaza. Following the film which illustrated the techniques used in this type of art, the students viewed the disc as it whirled in the wind.

A spring sidewalk art show was held with all enrolled in art contributing either to the display or to the items for sale. Students either displayed or sold paintings, drawings, sculpture, mosaics and pottery. Craft items included macrame, hooked rugs, tie dies and leather work.

TOP RIGHT: Monte Huffstetler works on drawing an accurate reproduction from a photograph.

BELOW: Debbie Thornburg concentrates on making Christmas decorations for a display.

RIGHT: To improve her sketching ability, Susan Pistole attempts to draw a still life.



Red Cross organizes to benefit community

Organized to do humanitarian projects and to perform services beneficial to the school and the community, the Red Cross Youth Club carried out a successful fund-raising drive as well as an auspicious blood "give in" January 16.

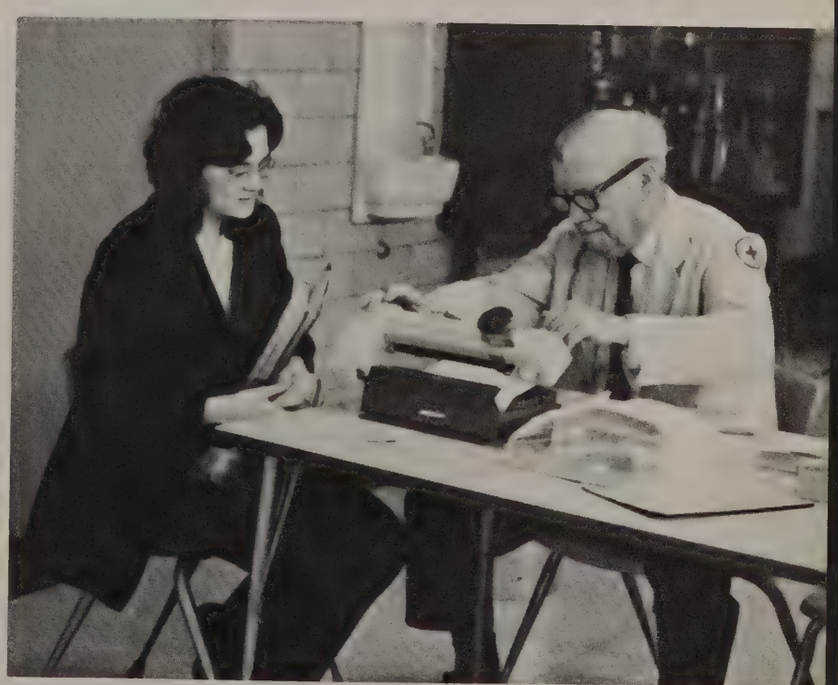
The members also learned of projects by the national group. They sponsored the first blood drive for a high school in this area. The members termed this project a success as ninety-three pints of blood were donated.

Homeroom students were generous in making donations to the annual drive for funds. Mrs. Betty Hunsucker's homeroom won for contributing more than the other homerooms and was treated to a party by the group.

TOP LEFT: Student aid, Sandra McCarver, helps Red Cross volunteers by filing doner cards.

BOTTOM LEFT: Feeling good inside, Cindy Abercrombie smiles as she finishes giving blood.

BELOW: A Red Cross volunteer types a doner reference card indicating Mary Reid's blood type.



Club members fulfill aim, set up seasonal displays

To attract attention to the Media Center was the purpose of the Library Club. Members did this by decorating the display case at the entrance doors. Each month they put up books, record jackets, and decorations illustrating either an important date such as Thanksgiving and Christmas or the season.

Open to students who had served as library assistants, members undertook service projects for the school and community. In the spring of '74, they sponsored a week-long Book Fair, arranging a selection of books on numerous subjects which students could purchase. They also sold tags for cars with West Mecklenburg Indians stamped in maroon letters on a white background.

The group also planned a social outing at the Open Kitchen February 26 to culminate their activities.

ABOVE: Adviser Mrs. McCain adds her suggestions as club members debate on a project.

ABOVE RIGHT: John Strawser holds up the maroon and white car tags sold by Library Club.

RIGHT: Davida Barwick prepares to laminate reference materials for the vertical file.

Rhonda Klein waits for instructions on what to do with the canned food her homeroom has collected.

Honor Society members share their time, talents

Living their creed of service and leadership, the twenty-four members of the National Honor Society shared their time and talents to serve others. Composed of academically-inclined students, the society undertook two service projects for the year.

At Christmas, members put boxes in each homeroom and encouraged students to bring canned goods and boxes of staple grocieries. These were collected and presented to the school's custodial staff in appreciation for their services.

On December 7, the society had a garage sale with the proceeds going to the Charles W. Pearson Scholarship Fund. For several weeks prior to the sale, the members had collected items from their homes and from the faculty to sell. Since this was a successful project, they planned another garage sale in the spring.

To become a member of the society, students must exhibit qualities of leadership, character, scholarship, and service combined with a 3.7 average or above. They also must be voted on by the faculty.

In addition to service projects, the members planned a social event at Lineberger's Fish Camp.

LEFT: Honor Society members talk as they wait in the refreshment line during induction.

BELOW: Cheri Homzak, Pam Bridges, and Hazel Blackburn serve as junior marshals at graduation.

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Academics emphasized new realities as course offerings and requirements changed. Nowhere was this more evident than in the area of English. Even though students still needed three units in English for graduation, they were required to take only sophomore English and one semester of American literature. British literature was dropped system-wide as a required course and was recommended for college-bound students only. Other changes included the mini courses in biology and an

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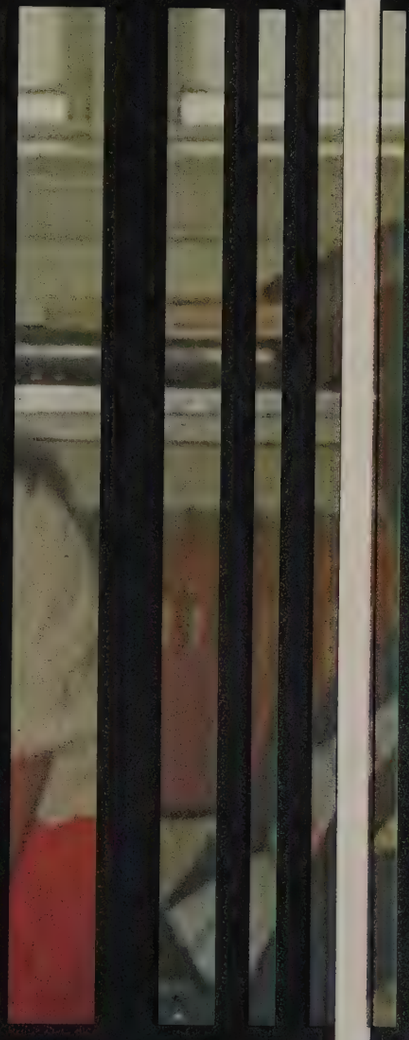
individualized home economics course in which students learned needlepoint and designing as well as other crafts. New realities in music opened up for third-year choristers and orchestra and band members when those who were able could enroll in music theory. Other new courses included an advanced computer lab course and Auto Mechanics II. Curriculum planning was discontinued until the federal court ruled which re-assignment plan was acceptable.



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Dedicated leaders work, run well-operated school

Principal Freddy Leger and his assistants worked hard to keep the school operating smoothly. After a year on the job, Mr. Leger, the second principal to supervise the student body and staff since the opening of West twenty-four years ago, proved himself a man of the times. Faced with education's changing role, he had the patience to listen, strength to restrain, and courage to face his challenge.

Serving along with Mr. Leger, were two assistants: Mr. William Leak and Mr. Joe McGinn. Dealing with bus routes and students who decided to cut class, they found their schedules busy.

The dedicated secretaries kept the school in order. Mrs. Kay Boone and Mrs. Faye Blankenship stayed busy answering the telephone and aiding students and teachers. Mrs. Joan McKeon assisted in the guidance office. Mrs. Faye Keistler, bookkeeper, kept financial records in order until she suffered a mild stroke.

New to the school staff was Patrolman Phil Paschal, who served as a resource officer.

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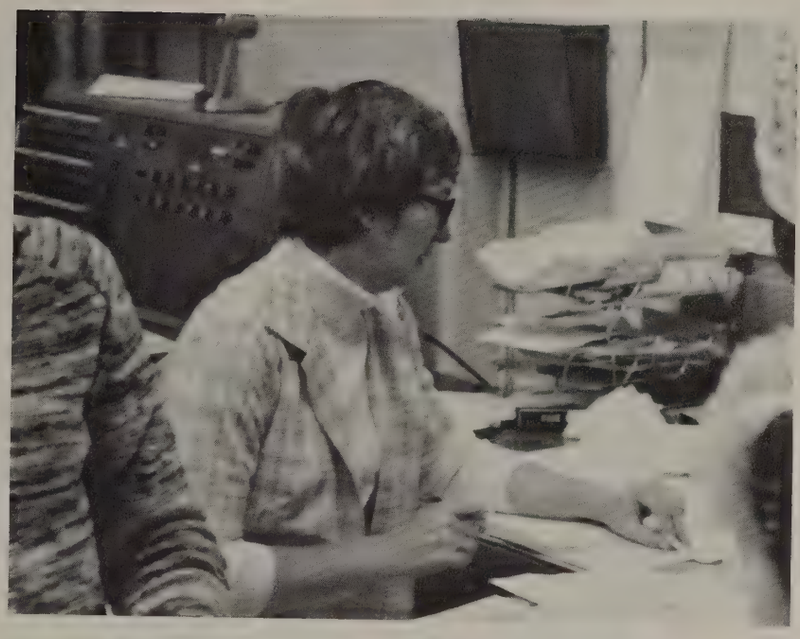

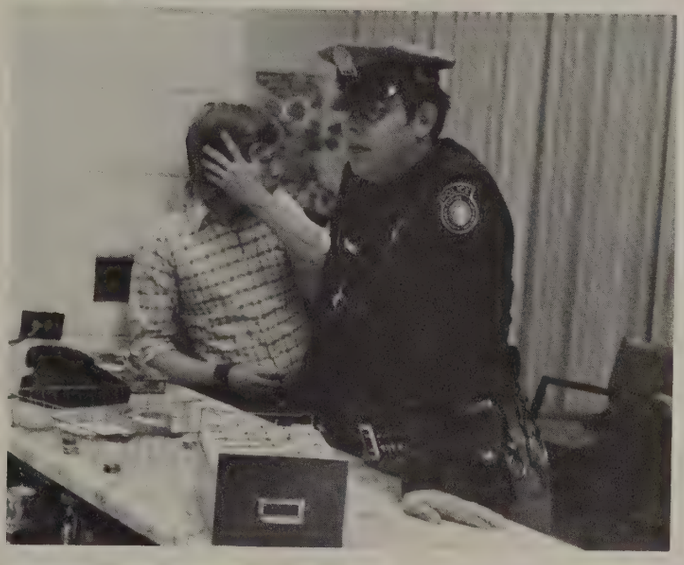

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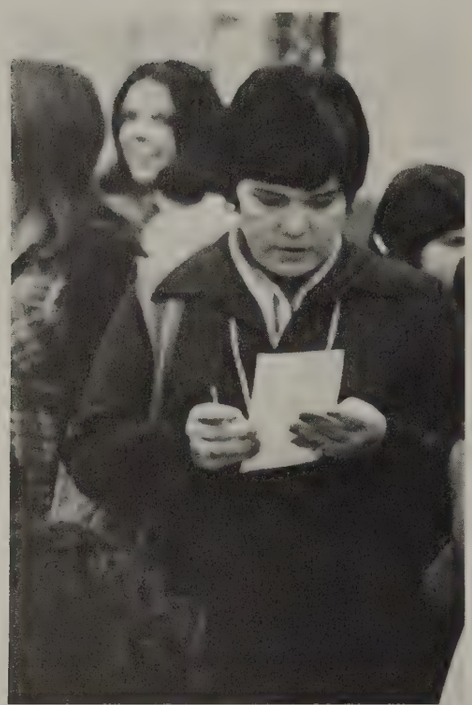
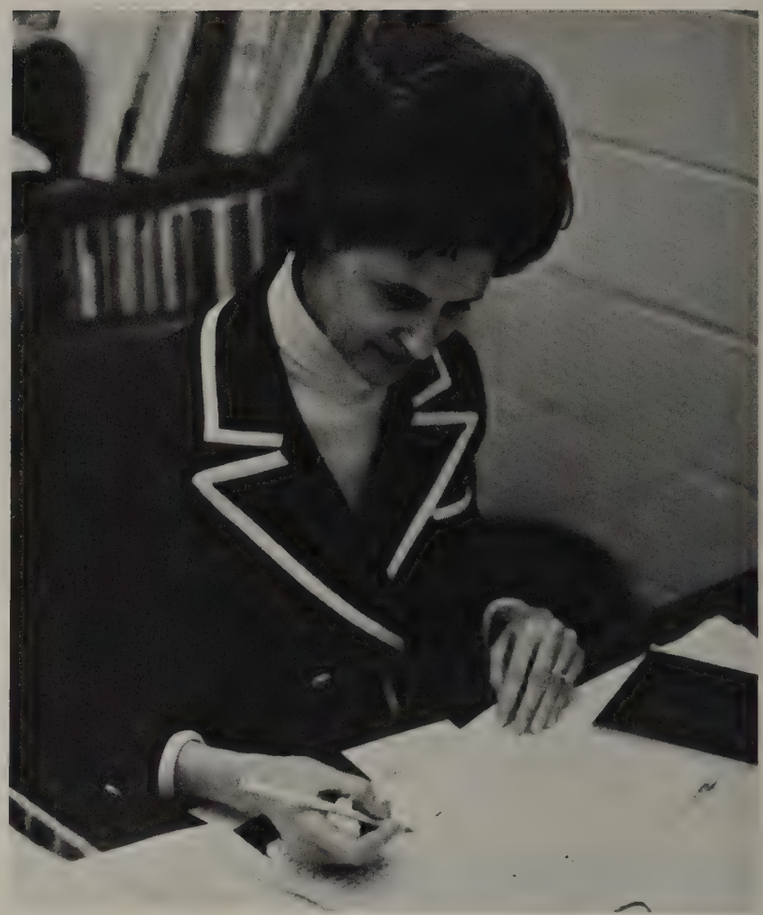
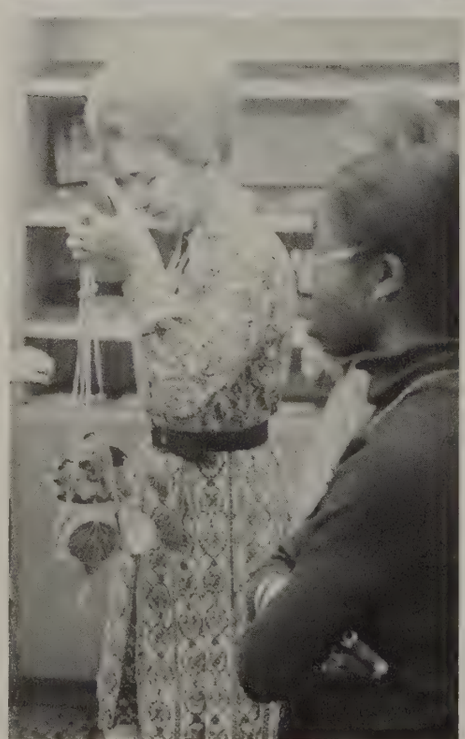
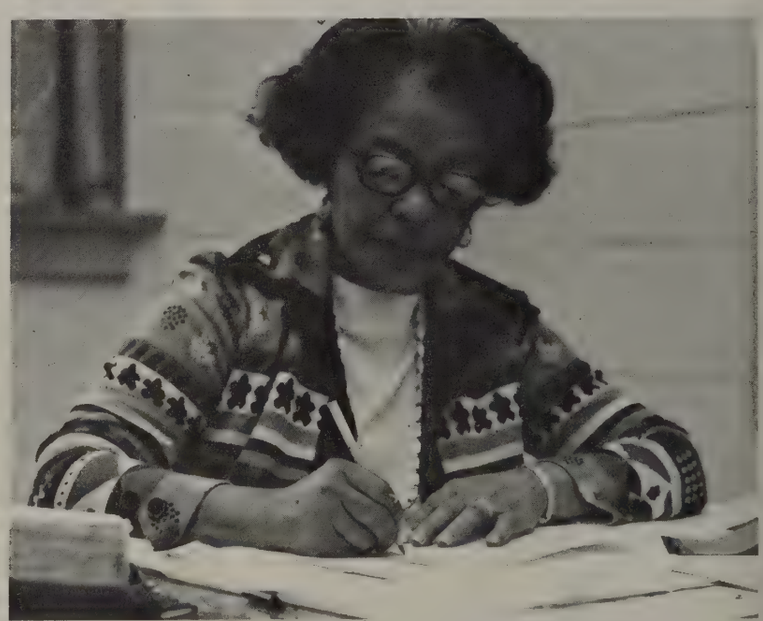






Mrs. Mary Harris
Curriculum Coordinator
Interclub Council



Mrs. Lou Benson
Guidance

Mrs. Bettye McCain
Media Specialist
Library Club

Mrs. Loree Johnson
Media Specialist
Library Club

Specialists, counselors, coordinator help Indians

Mrs. Ellen McLeod
Media Secretary

The media specialists, guidance counselors and the curriculum coordinator worked to help both students and teachers.

The media specialists, formerly known as librarians, suffered a cutback in staff. Where there were three librarians previously, this year there were two. With the decrease in total student enrollment less funds were available resulting in a decrease of new book purchases.

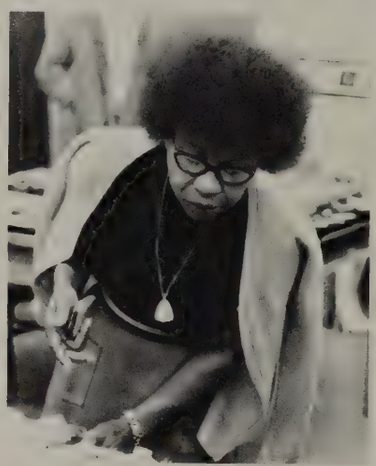
Counselors increased their staff with the addition of a VIEW counselor. They planned a Post Secondary Opportunity Day to familiarize students with various colleges, their requirements, and financial aid available.

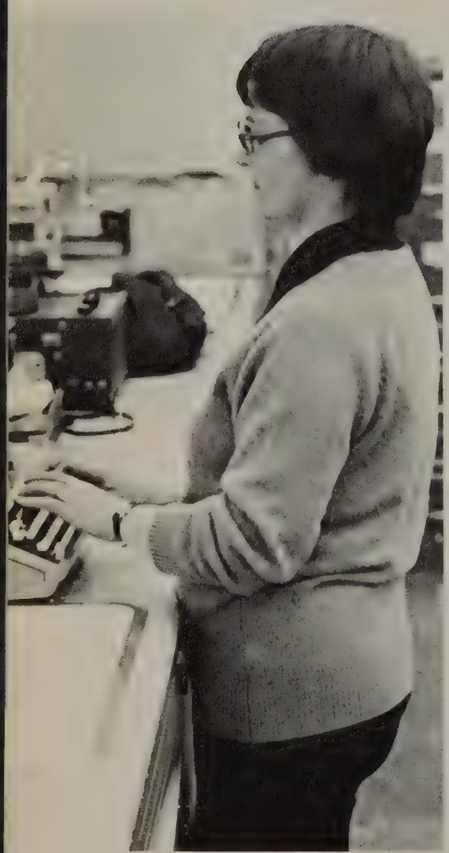
Mrs. Mary Harris kept very busy planning special programs, workshops, and projects for the teachers, as well as students. Mini-concerts presented by the fine arts department were arranged. Several workshops were available for West teachers and teachers from other schools. In March the accomplishments and endeavors of West students and faculty were presented during "Sights and Sounds of West."

Mrs. Ethel Aaron
Home Economics
CEO, CHEO

Mr. George Allen
Occupational Preparation
Senior Class Adviser

Mrs. Eddieola Alexander
Bachelor Living, Housing and Furnishings, Family Releationships
FHA





Mrs. Jean Avery
General Composition, Art of Satire, British Literature, Modern Poetry
Indianettes, Junior-Senior Prom

Mrs. Leoda Atnip
Advanced Composition, British Literature, Annual
Tomahawk

Workdays prove useful; teachers develop ideas, visit other departments

With loaded schedules and lack of time, teachers gladly welcomed the workdays during the year. With students having these days off, teachers were able to accomplish some plans. Grading papers, making out tests, and preparing daily plans took up part of their day. The rest was set aside for departmental meetings.

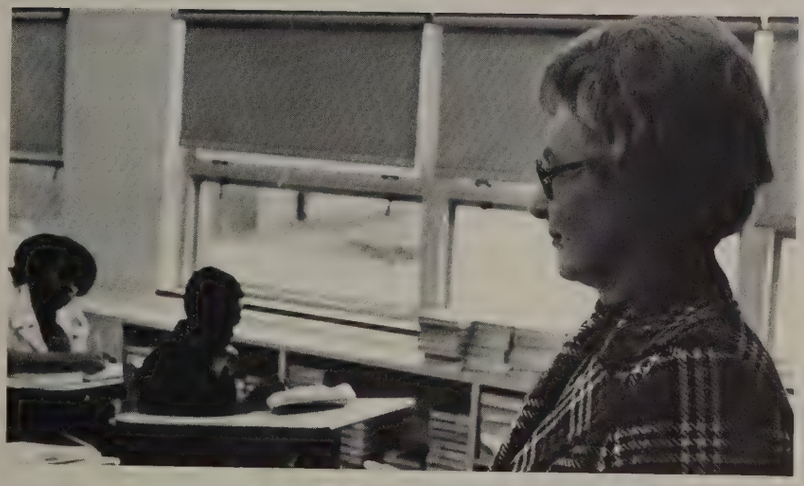
To help faculty members understand the total school program, a faculty focus was arranged. The faculty visited each department and talked with teachers about the courses offered. This also provided teachers a time for fellowship and informal conversation. While visiting the P.E. Department, Mrs. Jean Avery, Mrs. Judy Russo and Mrs. Lynn Baxter found jumping on the trampoline fun.

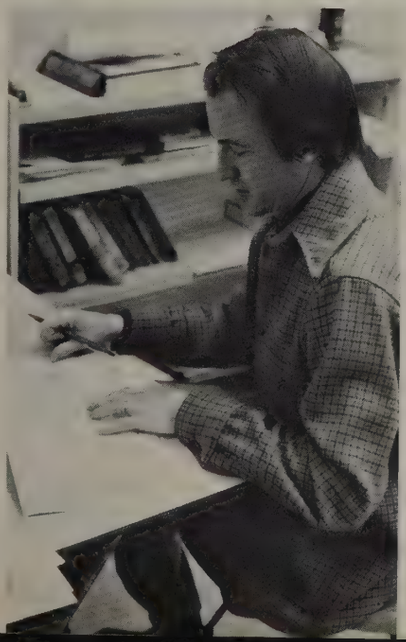
Near noon, growling stomachs and tired minds told the teachers it was time for a break. Getting together with others, small groups headed for different places, where they enjoyed a refreshing meal. Finishing up, they returned to school and resumed work.

Mrs. Lynn Baxter
Typing, Shorthand, GOP
Commercial Club

Mrs. Linda Beatty
Distributive Education,
Fashion Merchandising
DECA

Mrs. Anne Beach
Choir, Chorus I, II, Westones,
Theory





Mrs. Nancy Benfield
English 10

Mr. Charles Boone
Drafting, Vocational Math
J.V. Baseball

Mr. Charles Bilbro
Electronics
Camera Club

Mr. Carl Bolick
Physical Education
Athletic Director, Baseball

Miss Priscilla Broadway
Business English, Typing I

Mrs. Williene Boyd
Occupational Preparation

Mr. Horace Cardell
Auto Body

Mrs. Elizabeth Cash
English II, British Literature, Modern Poetry

Mr. Kenneth Cherry
Algebra II, Calculus

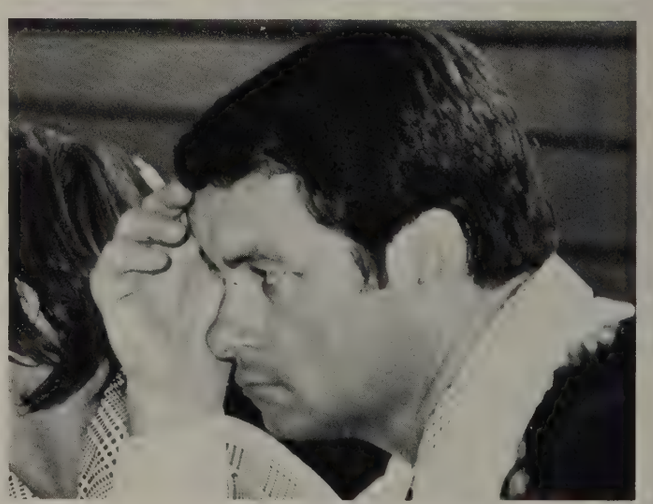
Teachers escape papers through hobbies related to classroom assignments

Teachers, as well as students, live for the weekends and afternoons. Bogged down by piles of grade hungry papers, teachers escape their problems by doing the things they like best.

Some teachers' hobbies are related to their professions. Mr. Sam Moore taught auto mechanics so it was not unusual that he enjoyed auto racing. Miss Vickie Schliestett taught gym, and she enjoyed swimming and gymnastics. She even planned and organized a swim club for the school.

Golf seemed to be a popular pastime for some of the faculty. Mr. Carl Bolick, Mr. John Day, Mr. Eddie McArver, Mr. Brooks Piercy, and Mrs. Virginia Wellmon spend their spare time on the golf course. Mrs. Barbara Rohrman's interest in skiing led to the organization of a ski club. She continued to supervise this club, sharing this interest with the students.

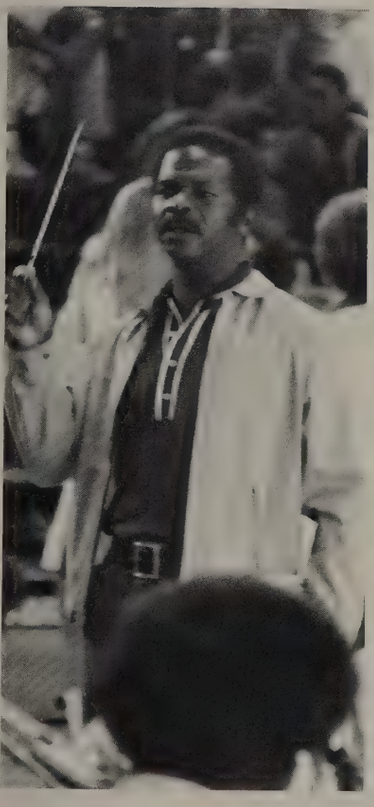
Other faculty members who did not participate in sports, watched games on TV or attended local contests.

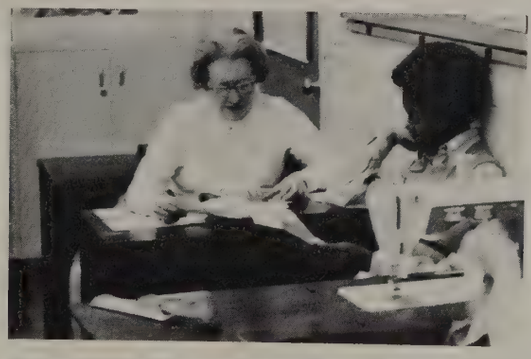


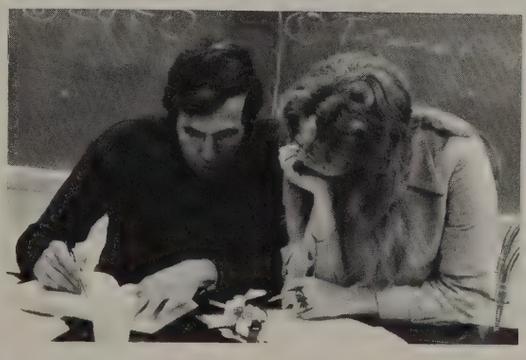
Mrs. Becky Clemmer
Distributive Education,
Fashion Merchandising
DECA, Junior Achievement

Mrs. Zelda Cline
French I, II, III, IV, V
French Club, Civinettes

Mr. William Clouse
Drivers' Education







Mrs. Elizabeth Dixon
English II, Reading II

Mrs. Mary Cruse
Foods and Clothing,
Family Life, Homemaking

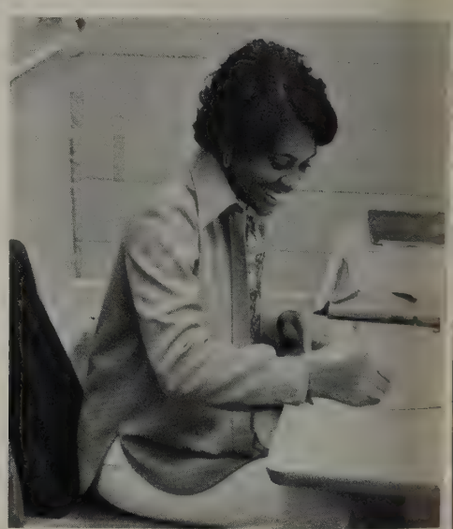
Mr. Donnell Cooper
Band
Marching Band

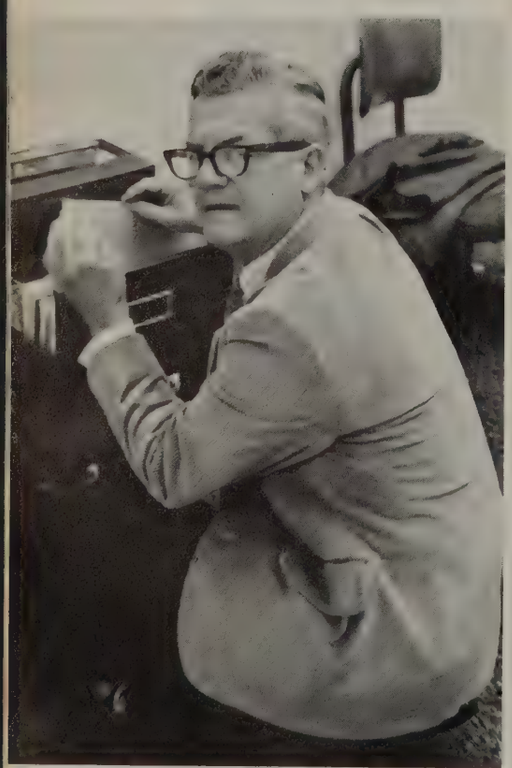
Mr. John Day
Geometry

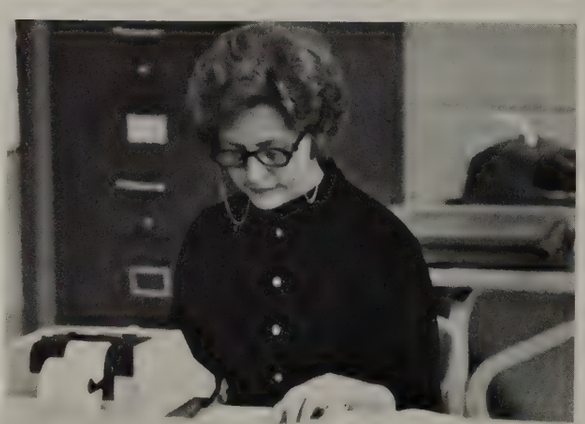
Mrs. Thomasena Drummond
Vocational English, Science Fiction, General Composition, Modern Poetry
Bible Club

Mrs. Peggy Horn
Drama I, II; TD II; Journalism I, II
Bow and Arrow, *Drama Club*

Mrs. Betty Hunsucker
Biology I, II
Red Cross, Health Careers







Chief Master Stg. Paul Guy USAF (Ret.)
Aerospace
Key Club

Mrs. Betty Hunter
Remedial English, Reading Improvement

Mrs. Evelyn Jones
Composition, Data Keypunch, Office Machines

Mr. Joe Fitzsimmons
World History
Student Government

'Pet expressions' become trademark of teachers

A number of teachers became well known because of pet expressions and nicknames. Some of these were known by teachers only; others, only by students, but the majority of these expressions were known by all.

Students in Mrs. Zelda Cline's classes became accustomed to the questioning line "you follow me?" Mr. Dewey Russell's whispering "so sad" accompanied by pats on his chest gave seniors a touching memory of British Lit.

Every day lectures in Mr. U.S. Norwood's class constantly conveyed the "mell of a hess" this world is in. Listening for the familiar "Have I told you this story," students became well acquainted with history.

Everyday associations led to humorous nicknames. Students were called sparrows, jaybirds, toads. The candy sale gave the name of "Little Godfather" to Mr. Vance Schrum and "The Candy Man" to Mr. Fred Kessler. Lizard Man in the **Bow and Arrow** *named Mr. Schrum "Shrewd Schrum."*

Mr. Richard Jones
Drivers Education
Football

Mr. Fred Kessler
General/Applied Psychology, Sociology, Law and Justice

Mr. Donny Lemmond
Biology, Physical Education
Football, J.V. Basketball

Mrs. Peggy McCarter
Occupational Mix
Tomahawk *Business Staff Adviser*

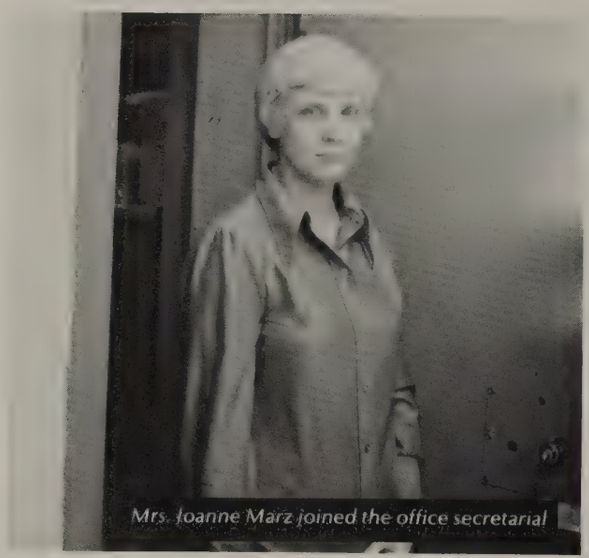
Mr. Eddie McArver
Drivers Education
Football, Wrestling

Organization advisers work to help students

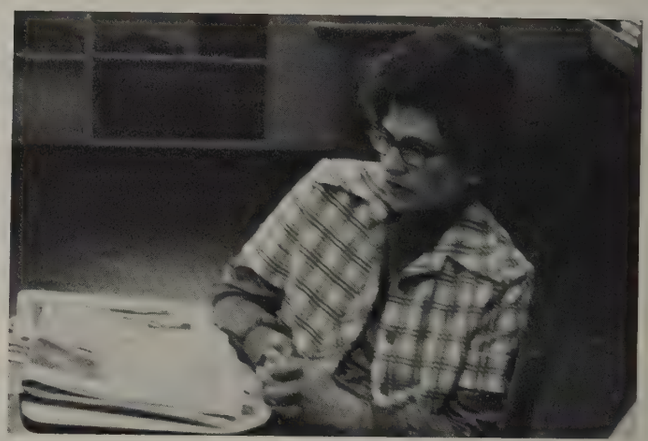
Mrs. Yvonne McCathern
American Literature, Science Fiction, Reading Improvement
Junior Class Adviser

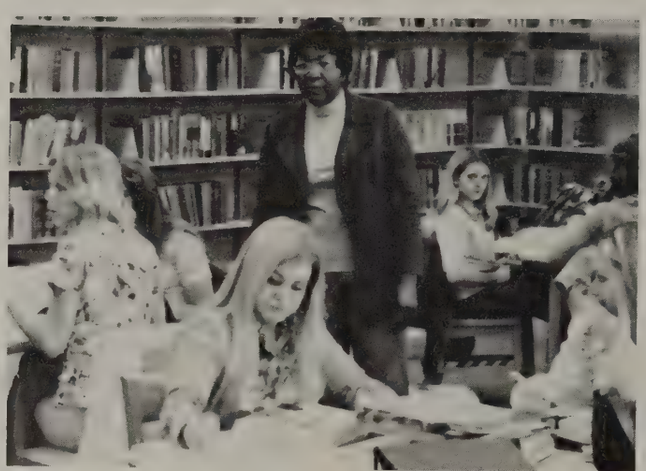
Mrs. Linda McKaraher
Chemistry, Physics, Biology
Junior Class Adviser, Science Club, FTA, Health Careers

Mr. Sam Moore
Auto Mechanics
VICA



Mrs. Joanne Marz joined the office secretarial





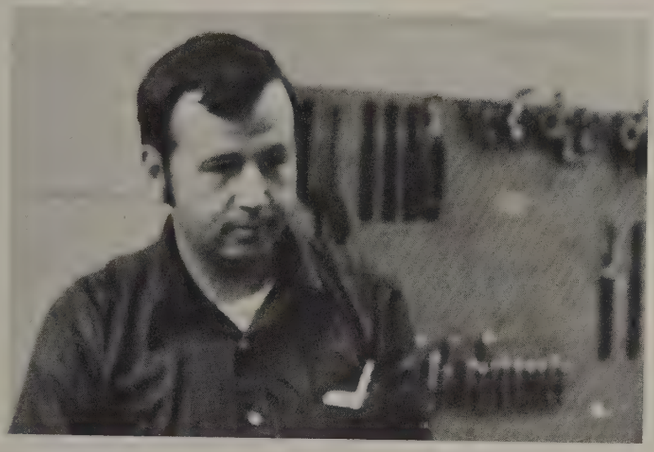
Mrs. Thelma McKoy
Third World, Ancient, Western Movement
US History

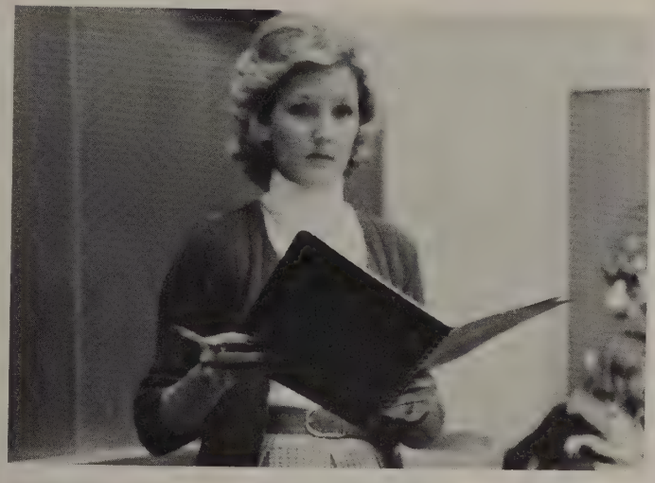
Mrs. Barbara Moody
Business Math, Business Management, Typing I
Senior Class Adviser

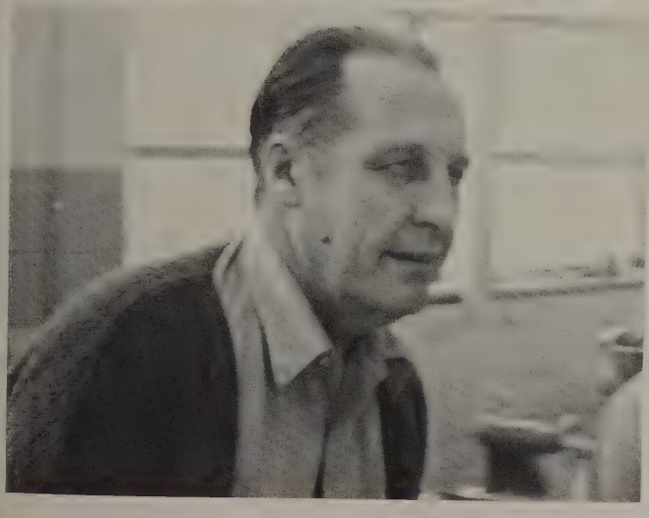
Mr. Steven Nance
Machine Shop I, II

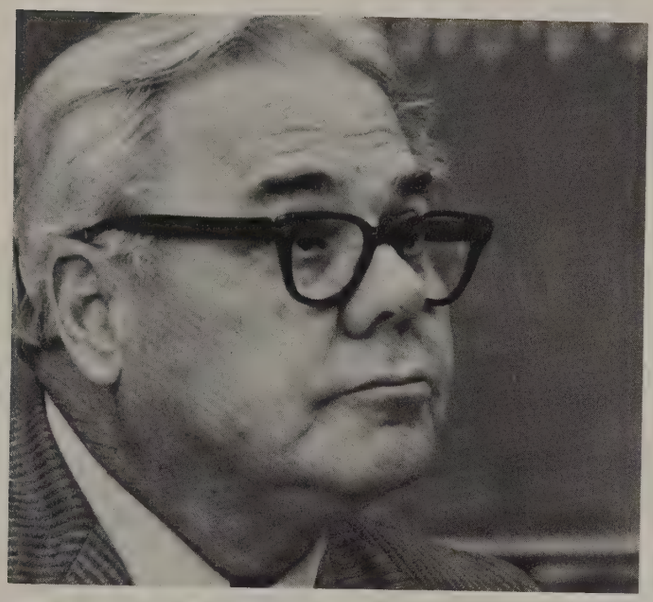
Mrs. Cheryl Pappas
Spanish II, III
Sophomore Class Adviser,
Majorettes, Spanish Club

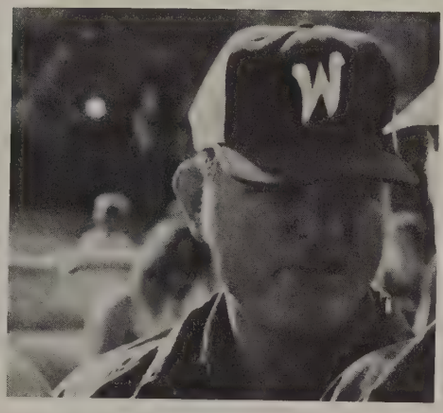
Mr. Paul Peek
Industrial Arts I, II

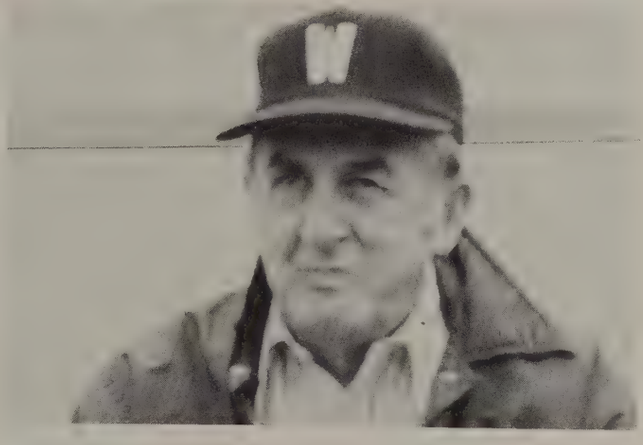












Mr. Uriah Norwood
Twentieth Century History,
US History

Mr. Ronald Patterson
General Math II
Cross Country, Track

Mr. Clyde Peek
US History
Fellowship of Christian Athletes

Mrs. Eunice Pharr
Shorthand, Bookkeeping,
General Math, Typing I
Flag Girls

Mr. Brooks Piercy
Horticulture

Mrs. Nancy Ragan
COO, COO Lab
COO Club

Mrs. Barbara Rohrman
Girls' P.E.
Girls' Sports Coach

Mr. James Potts
Biology
Science Club

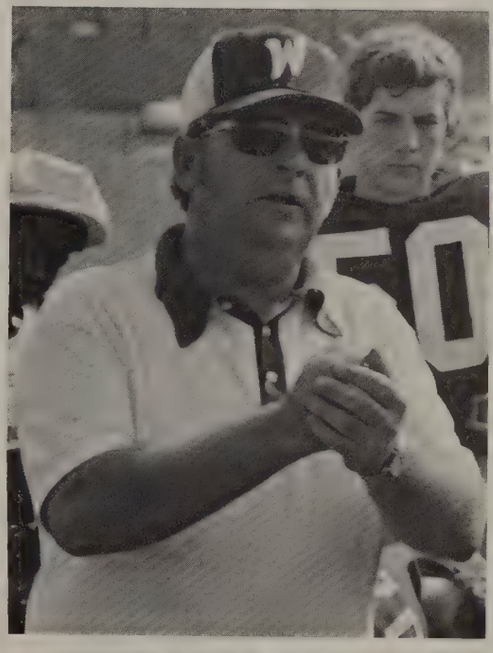
Mr. Lawrence Rohrman
Physical Science, Biology
Science Club, Key Club

Mr. Dewey Russell
English 10, AP English
Contemporary Fiction,
British Literature

Mrs. Julia Russo
Orientation, Law and Justice,
Varsity, J.V. Cheerleaders

Mrs. Minnie Sanders
Math

Faculty members return to college during summer



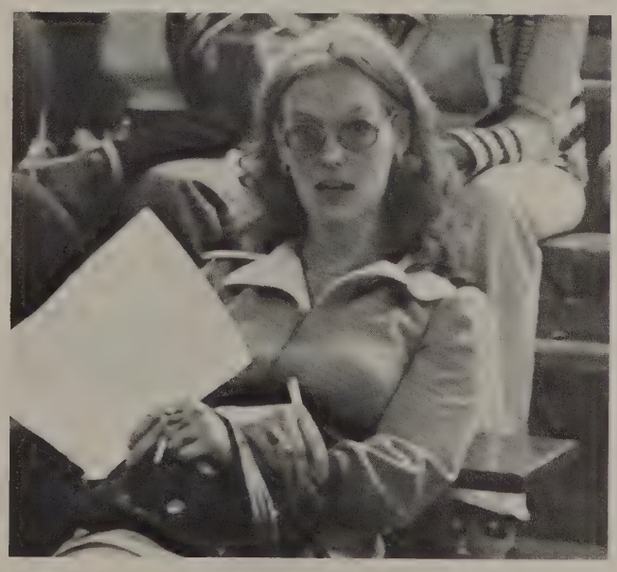
Since teachers must renew their certificates every five years, many faculty members returned to college during the summer.

Several attended a workshop at CPCC entitled "Helping Adolescents into Adolesence." These were Miss Eddieola Alexander, Mrs. Lou Benson, Mrs. Nancy Benfield, Mrs. Betty Hunsucker, Mrs. Linda Teague, and Miss Linda McKaraher.

As part of their Shakespeare course at Davidson, Mrs. Leoda Atnip and Mrs. Loree Johnson spent a week in Stratford, Connecticut, and New York. They attended three plays at the American Shakespearean Theatre and Joseph Papp's Central Park production of "Pericles."

Three members of the Fine Arts Department participated in workshops. Mr. Donnell Cooper attended a marching band clinic in Lexington; and Mrs. Margaret Spainhour, the National Music Camp at Interlochen, Michigan. Mrs. Peggy Horn took part in a drama workshop at NC School of the Arts.

When school closed in the spring, the teachers began their trek back to campuses, where they became students.



Mr. Vance Schrum
Analysis, Math Concepts
Algebra II
Football, Baseball

Miss Vicky Schliestett
Spanish, Orientation,
Girls' P.E.
Spanish Club, Cheerleaders

Mr. Thomas Slaughter
Chemistry
Science Club

Mr. Paul Simpson, Jr.
Orchestra

Mrs. Cindy Smith
Modern Poetry, American Literature
Civinettes, School Spirit Committee

Faculty, staff, students experience happiness, sadness during year

Happy events as well as sad ones were shared by the faculty, administration, staff and student body during the year.

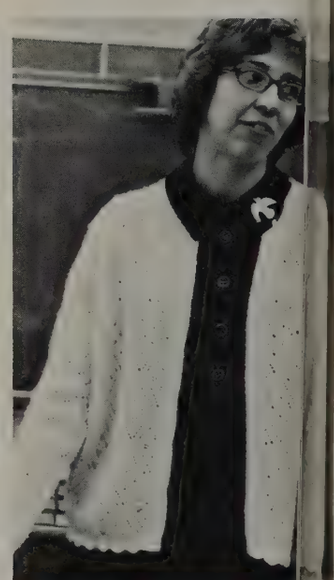
For two, they recorded a first for West. It was the only time in the history of the school that two faculty members became man and wife. Miss Barbara Gaddy, P.E. teacher, and Mr. Larry Rohrman, biology teacher, were united in marriage on June 15. This made the school have a husband-wife team on the faculty.

Mrs. Julie Gaddy and Mrs. Bettye McCain took leaves to await the arrival of newcomers to their families. Mrs. McCain resumed her duties as media specialist in November following the birth of a son; Mrs. Gaddy returned as CWE counselor in January, after giving birth to a daughter.

The entire West family was saddened on June 11 by the death of Mr. Charles W. Pearson, who had taught here for twenty-one years.

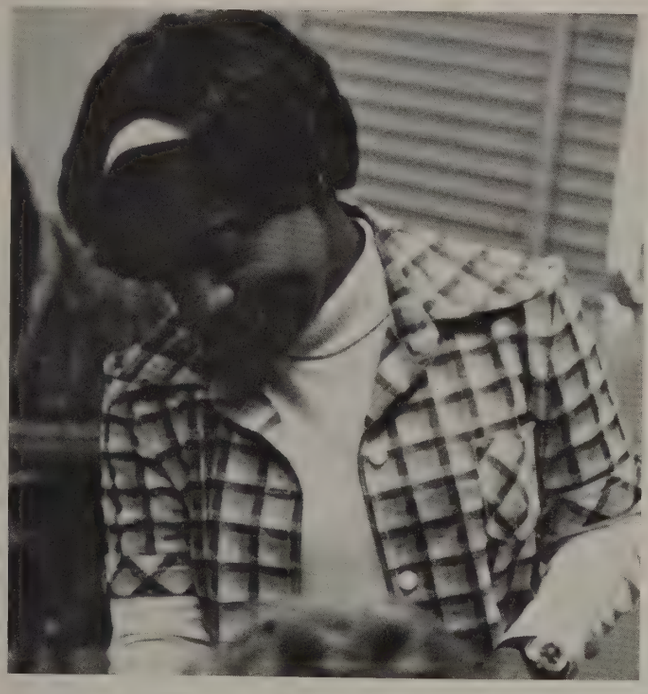
Mrs. Margaret Spainhour
Orchestra

Mrs. Linda Teague
Bible I, II
Bible Club



Mrs. Pat Turpin
English 10, TD, American Literature
Honor Society

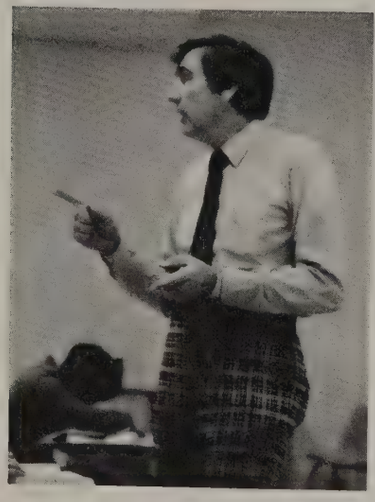
Mrs. Wilhelmina White
Colonial History, Twentieth Century, American History
Honor Society

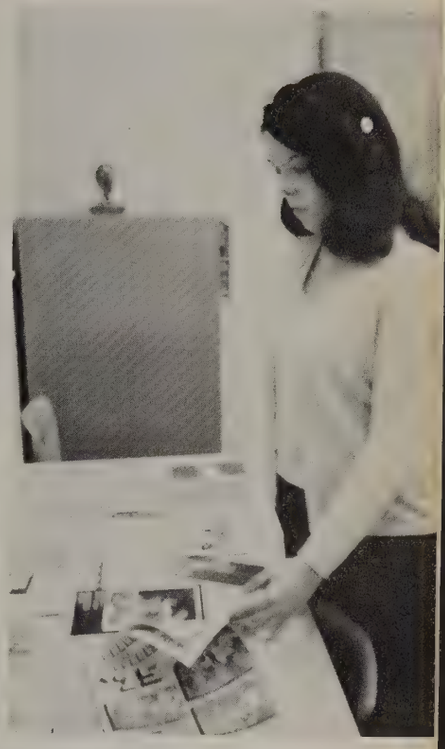


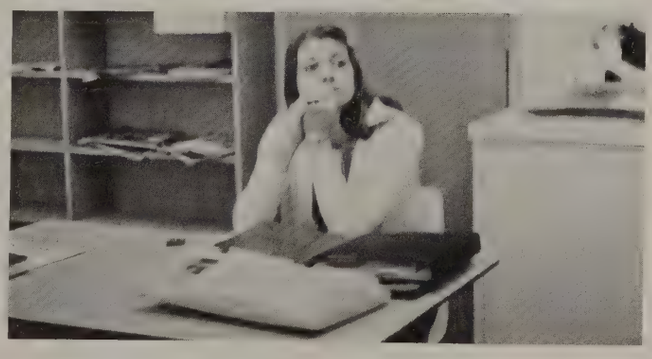
Mrs. Anne Williams
Resource

Miss Geovinna Yelton
Sociology, Modern World History, Western Civilization, Law and Justice
Political Science

Mr. Morgan Walker
Algebra I
Football, Basketball







Mr. Matthew Wingate
Industrial Cooperative Training
I.C.T.

Mrs. Peggy Weston
Art I, II, III
Varsity and J.V. Cheerleaders, Art Club

FRONT ROW: Judy Watts, Vera Mitchell, Lee Hannon, Ruby Spittle, Doris Hovis, Cafeteria Manager Virginia Scott, Lucille Sadler. BACK ROW: Earl Keever, Hannah McCord, Barbara Joy, Catherine Goodman, Janett Helton, Kate Sealey, Charlotte Scott.

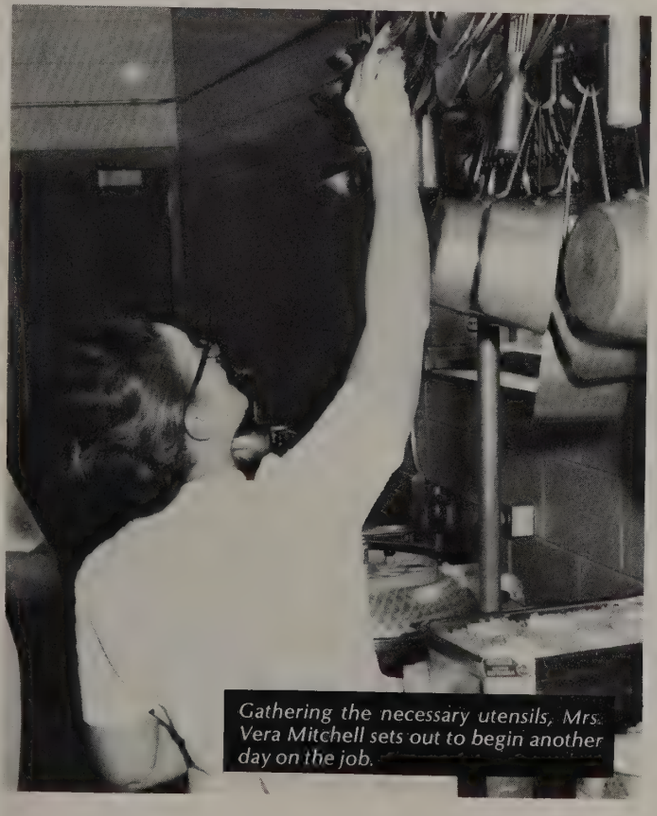
James McWain, Hauzie Burch, Ralph Lineberger, Jerry Hall, Robert Dunlap.

Cafeteria, custodial staff fulfill needs of Tribesmen

The custodial staff, headed by Mr. Ralph Lineberger, and the lunchroom ladies, supervised by Mrs. Virginia Scott, dietician provided the students with a well-kept campus and cafeteria services.

The cafeteria workers planned and prepared daily meals. Faced with the rising costs of living and the dwindling dollar, the staff found itself paying more and purchasing less. Each morning at 10:40, the rush began for the cafeteria ladies. For an hour and a half, they were involved in serving food, collecting money, and listening to the demands of students. The opening of a snack bar in the area between the turnstiles was an added change appreciated by the students. Those wanting just a sandwich or cookies could purchase their items without having to go through the lunch lines.

Continually working throughout the day and into the afternoon, the custodial staff maintained a clean school. Helping in any way it could, this staff was a necessary part of West.



Gathering the necessary utensils, Mrs. Vera Mitchell sets out to begin another day on the job.

ABOVE RIGHT: Junior Randy Prunty "yummies up" a nourishing meal after a hard morning of classes.

ABOVE: Mr. Hauzie Burch works after school as well as during the day to keep the campus clean.

For teachers, relaxation comes in various forms

With some careful observation, students can catch teachers in situations when they are able to relax. Coming in many forms, relaxation for some faculty members meant a chance to sit down and smoke a cigarette; for others, it meant something else.

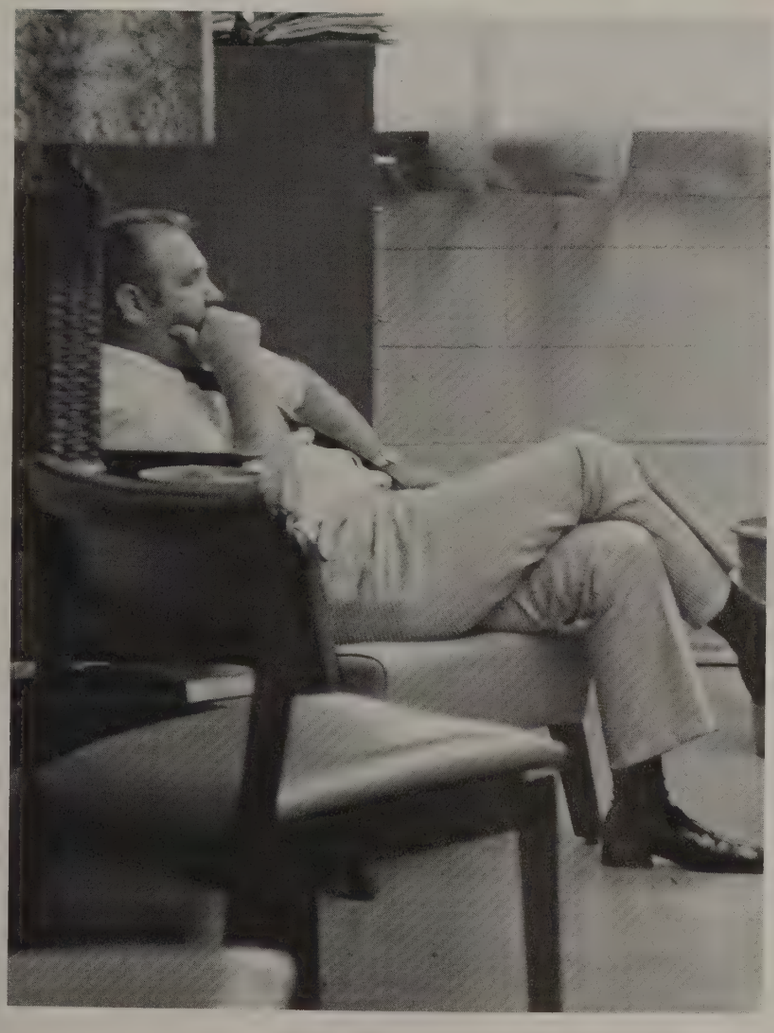
For the coaches, the pressures of the classroom were forgotten when they got out on the field. They were working in an area which they enjoyed and which released them from the tension of the day. Several women did needlepoint, decoupage, or other crafts.

To some teachers, a planning period was an answer to their problems. With one free period, they were able to tackle their tasks and relieve some of the mounting pressures. Planning lessons and completing work helped teachers look forward to R and R (rest and relaxation) each evening at home.

ABOVE: With some free time and no momentary problems, Miss Vicky Schliestett takes a break.

RIGHT: Caught up in the enthusiasm, Mr. William Leak shows the student body his school spirit.

With track members, spectators and opponents, Mr. Ronald Patterson carefully watches the field.



ABOVE: Puzzled by a startling question, Mrs. Becky Clemmer debates on what her answer will be.

LEFT: Tired from a busy day at school, Mr. Freddy Leger takes time out for a breather.

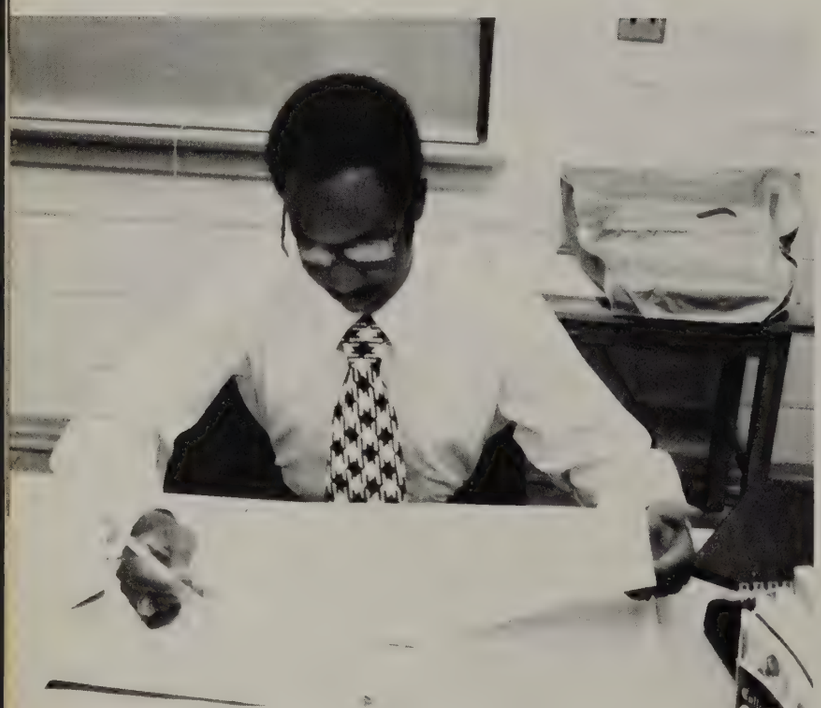
New career-course, ROTC instructors join staff

Added to the faculty after the school year began were several teachers. Two new teachers added to some aspect of a career course, and one replaced a ROTC instructor.

Mrs. Julia Gaddy became instructor of a new course designed for sophomores. Placing special emphasis on the school-work relationship, students in this program were taught English, math, and occupational preparation. The class covered a three-period block. During the afternoons, students gained work experience at a job.

Due to the recognition of the necessity to improve the effectiveness of the occupational educational departments in the local schools, a career specialist was placed in each senior high school. Mr. Marion Hayes served as a representative of VIEW (Vital Information for Education and Work). As a career guidance specialist, Mr. Hayes sought to promote career development in individuals.

Another addition to the staff was Colonel Joe Banks to work with ROTC. He replaced Major John Prichard.



Mr. Marion Hayes
VIEW Counselor

Mrs. Julia W. Gaddy
CWE

Lieutenant Colonel Joe H. Banks, USAF (ret.)
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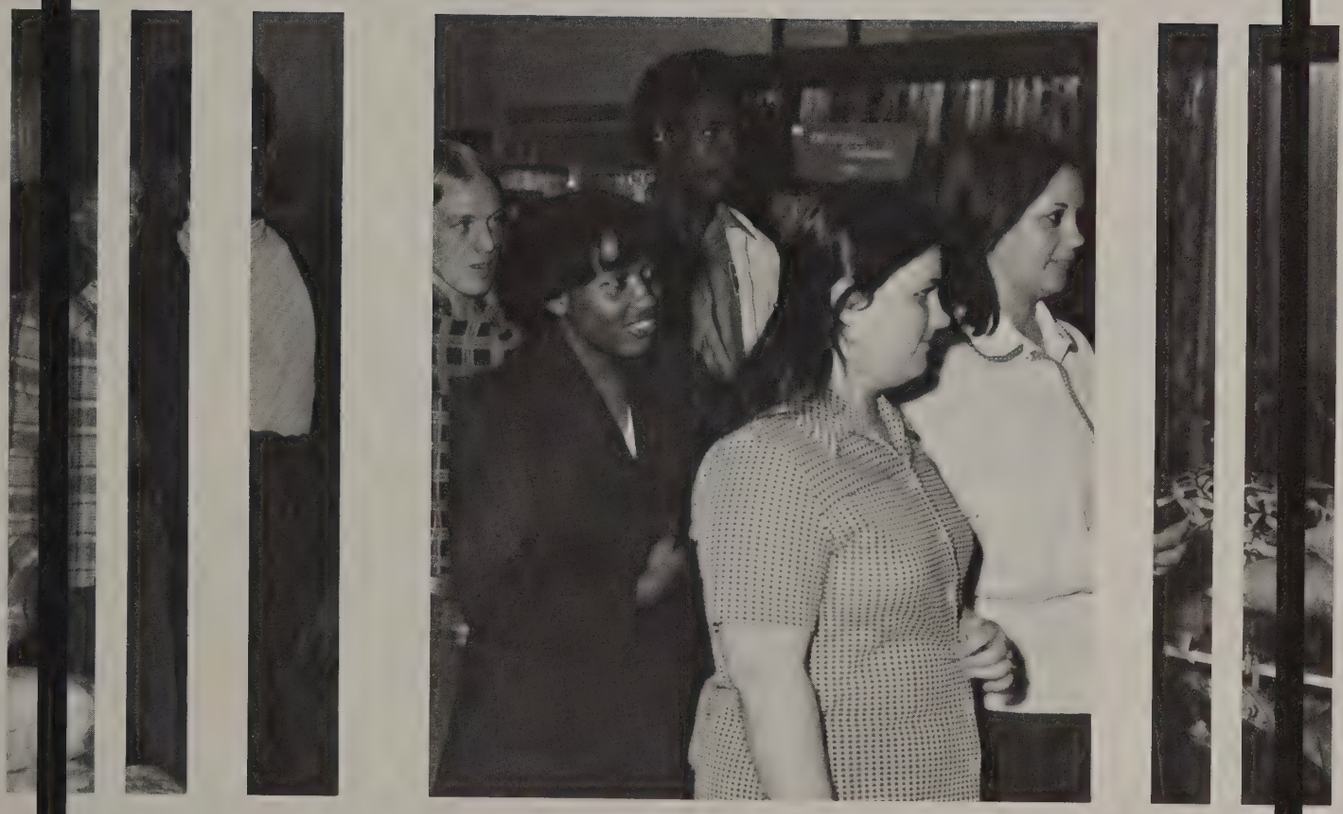

curriculum

English Department makes numerous changes to drav

The eleven-member English Department outdid itself in both curriculum changes and course additions designed to create student interest and enthusiasm for the only subject each student was required to take for three consecutive years.

British Literature was changed from a required course to an elective designed only for college-bound students. Other new course additions included general composition, vocational English, Reading II, and the art of satire.

Using reams of paper, students enrolled in advanced composition practiced their writing techniques and research skills on term papers designed to help prepare them for college.

Major works studies in the art of satire included "Animal Farm" by Orwell, Chaucer's "Canterbury Tales," and Shaw's "Pygmalion." Students wrote their own satires and parodies; some entitled theirs "West Farm."

Classes were not all work. Seniors saw Polanski's "Macbeth" at the Tryon Mall Theatre, January 17. Others journeyed to Davidson College to see two drama productions: "The Servant of Two Masters" and "Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead." Students in Mrs. Cindy Smith's modern poetry classes had a guest-speaker, Mr. David Childers. A poet himself, he recited and sang to the class.

ABOVE RIGHT: During art of satire, courageous Pam Covington pledges her love to Larry Kitchens.

RIGHT: Students join in and sing as Mr. David Childers performs in modern poetry.

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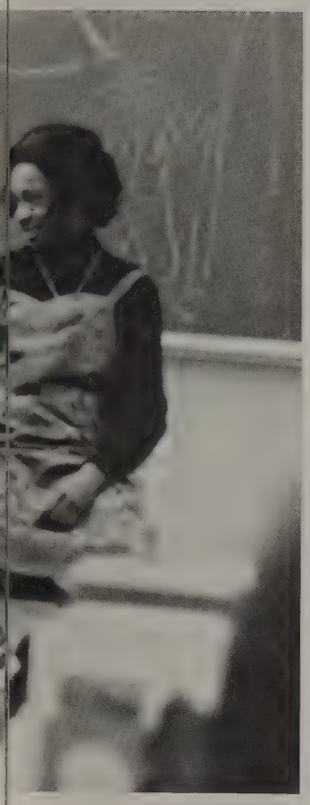
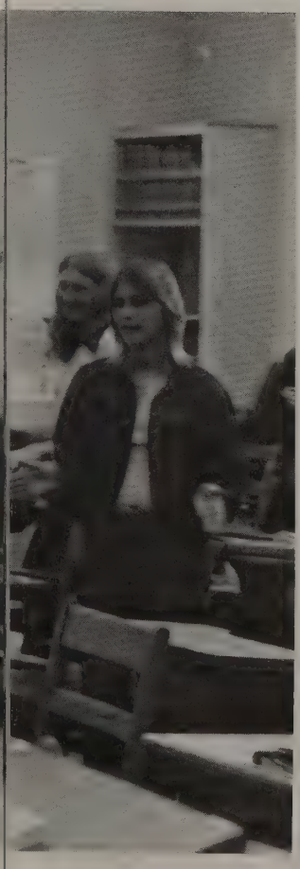
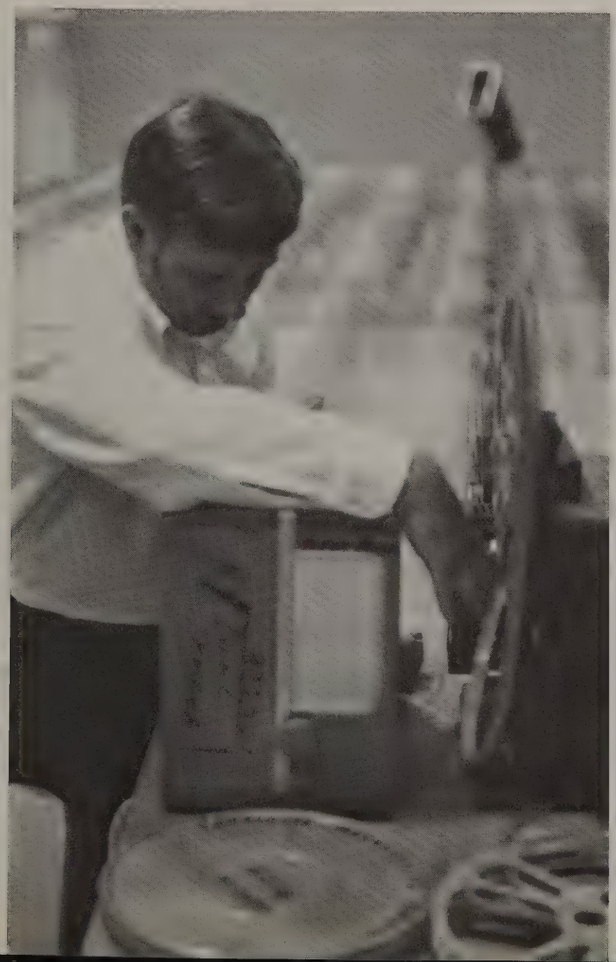






ABOVE: Students in Mrs. Horn's class work diligently to complete papers before the bell rings.

LEFT: While class prepares to see film of "Hamlet," Mr. Dewey Russell fumbles with projector.

Sophomores put four 'p's' into effect in drivers' ed

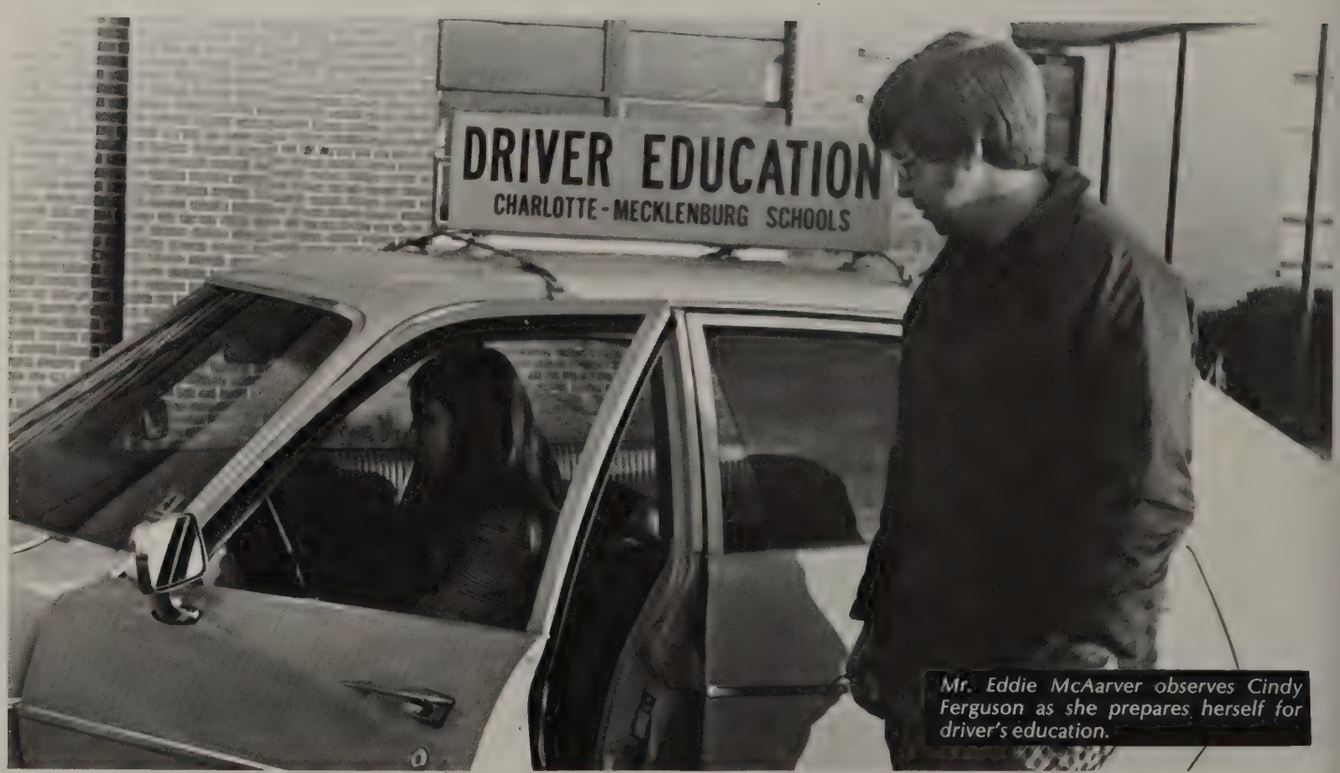
Panic, practice, parallel parking, and more practice were the four "p's" put into effect by the sophomores enrolled in drivers education. Being able to take this course was one of the things which had many rising sophomores looking forward to the opening of school.

The classroom work consisted of studying and being tested on the rules and regulations set forth by the North Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles. Numerous films on safe driving were also shown to students in these classes.

In-class movies, often bloody and sometimes sickening, brought the department notoriety. These films often showed the fatal consequences of careless and reckless driving.

Following the classroom work, students took behind-the-wheel training. Often approaching this part of the course with a butterflies-in-their stomach feeling, the novice drivers often gave the teacher, as well as the other sophomores in the car, a scare. The drivers' education certificate, proof of the soon-to-be-sixteen-year-old's ability to drive, enabled the student to obtain the sought-after license.

Cindy Ferguson fastens her seatbelt, a safety precaution learned in driver's education.



Mr. Eddie McAarver observes Cindy Ferguson as she prepares herself for driver's education.

Artist express creativity through various media

Junior Greg French finishes up his linoleum print of a tennis shoe in Mrs. Weston's art class.

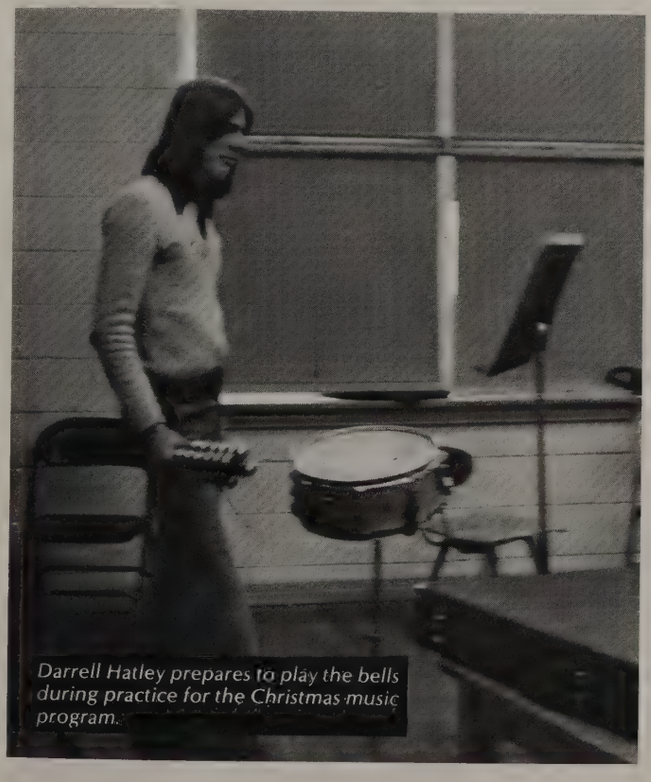
Through a variety of media, art students gave creative expressions of their own ideas. Students gained a greater appreciation of art in general as well as learned basic fundamentals in individual interest areas. Music, films and library materials added new aspects.

*Acting was just a small part of the drama students' work. Those enrolled studied technical aspects including lighting, scenic design, costuming and applying make up. Following weeks of rehearsal the class presented M*A*S*H* February 20, 21.*

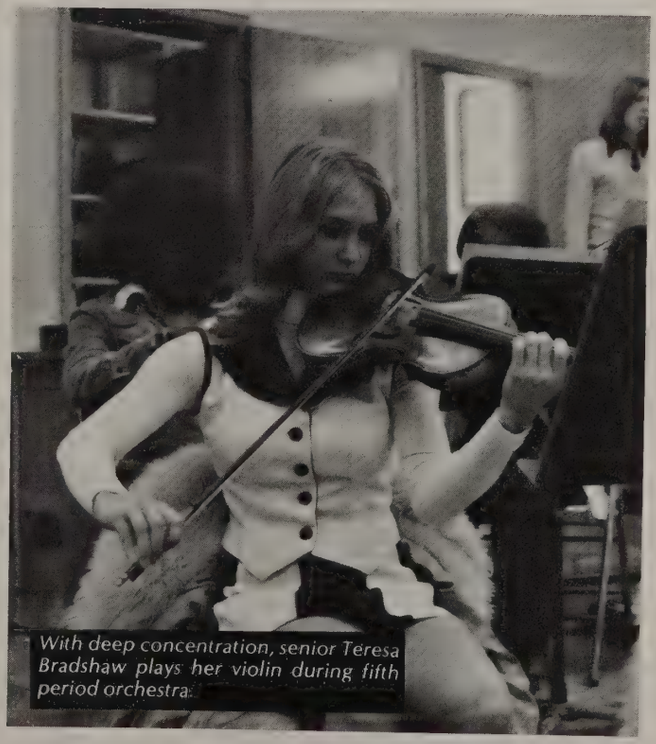
Members of Chorus I and II were involved in a general study of music which included folk and some popular folk songs. Combining with the band and orchestra, the choristers presented a "Hootenanny" program Thursday, November 21 for selected third-period classes. In addition to accompanying the choral presentations, band and orchestra members were featured in several selections. Students in the choir participated in the All-City High School Choral Clinic during October at Pritchard Memorial Baptist Church.

Combined with both choruses, the band and the orchestra gave the annual Christmas concert entitled "Christmas Past and Present," December 12. Traditional carols as well as popular Christmas lyrics and semi-classical selections were presented.

A new course, music theory, was added to the fine arts curriculum. This course taught the importance of music fundamentals. The purpose of the course was to help students develop a firm understanding of music.



Darrell Hatley prepares to play the bells during practice for the Christmas music program.



With deep concentration, senior Teresa Bradshaw plays her violin during fifth period orchestra.

Foreign languages made easier, interesting, fun through films, projects

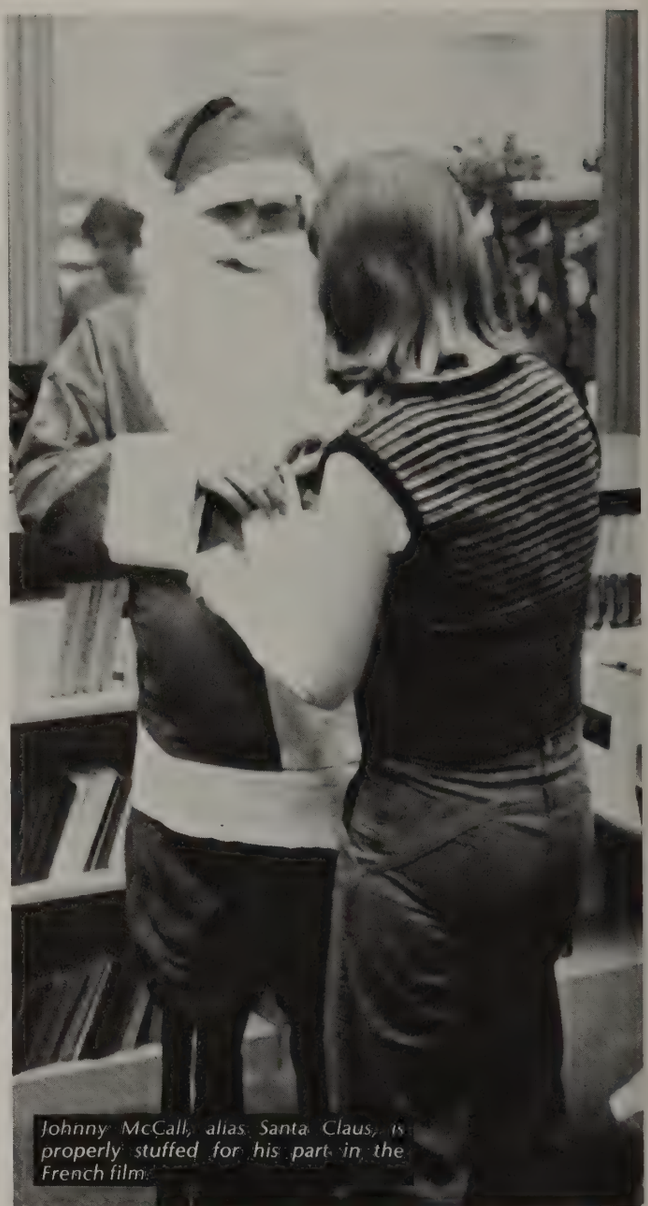
Enrolling in a foreign language class, students had opportunities to learn another language and to explore the customs, traditions, and history of another country.

Students in Mrs. Zelda Cline's French classes had a busy year. In addition to studying basic language skills and translating literary works, they made a film "La Viste de Pere Noel" or "The Night Before Christmas." They also took two field trips to see two movies — "The Mad Mad World of Rabbi Jacob" and "The Little Prince."

Spanish students too studied the traditions, language, and history of Spanish-speaking countries.

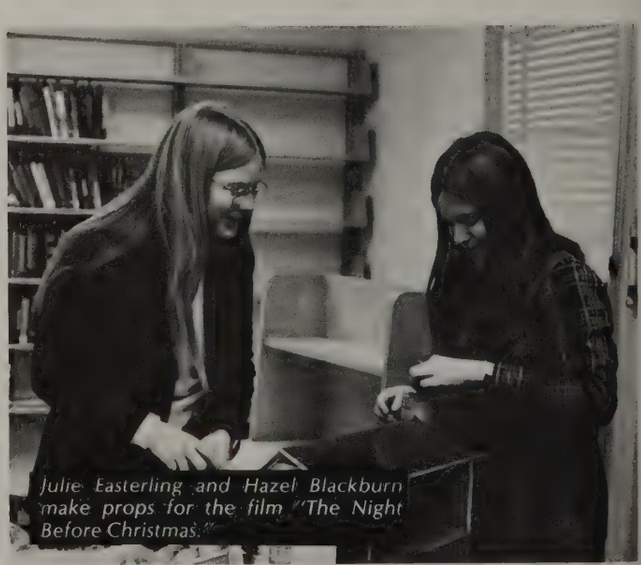
With February 24-28 designated as Foreign Language Week, French students painted posters and set up a sidewalk cafe featuring cheeses, fruits, and pastries.

Combining with the language departments from Harding High and the feeder junior high schools: Coulwood, Northwest, Spaugh, and Wilson, the foreign classes attended a banquet Thursday, February 27. Dressing in the costume of the nation whose language they were taking gave the banquet an international air.



Johnny McCall, alias Santa Claus, is properly stuffed for his part in the French film.

Working on a group report, Beth Sides, Chris Rust, and Robin Reavis discuss presentation ideas.



Julie Easterling and Hazel Blackburn make props for the film "The Night Before Christmas."

With rising cost of living, Home Ec students learn various ways to cut down

Flexibility was the key word for the Home Economics Department as members undertook a re-emphasis on instructing students in the fundamentals of self-sufficient living. Learning about managing money, balancing checkbooks, selecting nutritious foods, and economizing on household items were covered extensively. The students learned how to care for a home while maintaining good relations with people in and out of the home.

Those enrolled in these classes still served and cooked; but because of the economic situation, they had to be discriminative about the fabrics and foods they purchased. Teachers instructed their classes on how to cut corners and how to save money on food, electricity, and clothes. Selective shopping was stressed as students learned how to shop for the best buys at the lowest prices. Eating the concoctions they had prepared and wearing the clothing they had made were two additional benefits to the course.

TOP LEFT: Anthony Parker, Willie Robinson and Felton Jones prepare themselves a meal.

CENTER: Pam Covington assists Denise Maxwell as she prepares a dish for Home Ec class.

LEFT: Vanessa Blackmon and Veronica Baldwin use the Home Ec room to prepare for a bake sale.

Computer math begun; difficulty in language results in cancellation

A new course — computer math — was set up for some algebra students. However, this was discontinued because the textbook was written in basic language while the computer language was WATT-5. Also, since it took much time to translate book language to computer language, the students were not getting into algebra. Teachers decided to discontinue the course.

Students in advanced classes continued to struggle over tangents, squares, and cosine functions, while those enrolled in geometry worked with postulates, theorems, and angles. Studying insurance, banking, and income tax proved practical for general math students.

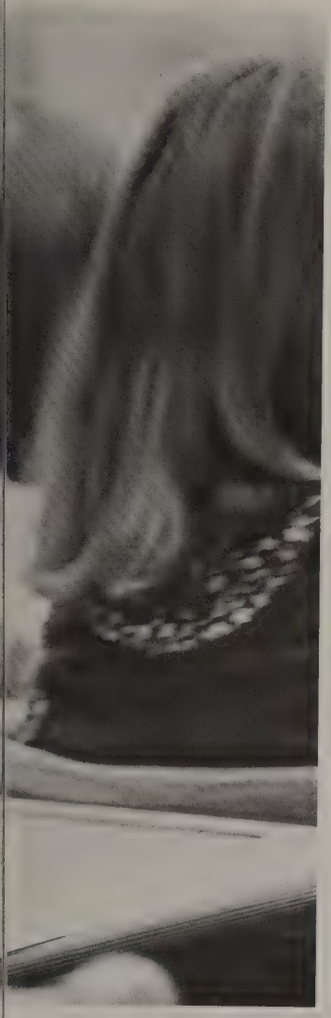
While math subjects fascinated some, others remained puzzled and were happy to have the requirement out of the way.

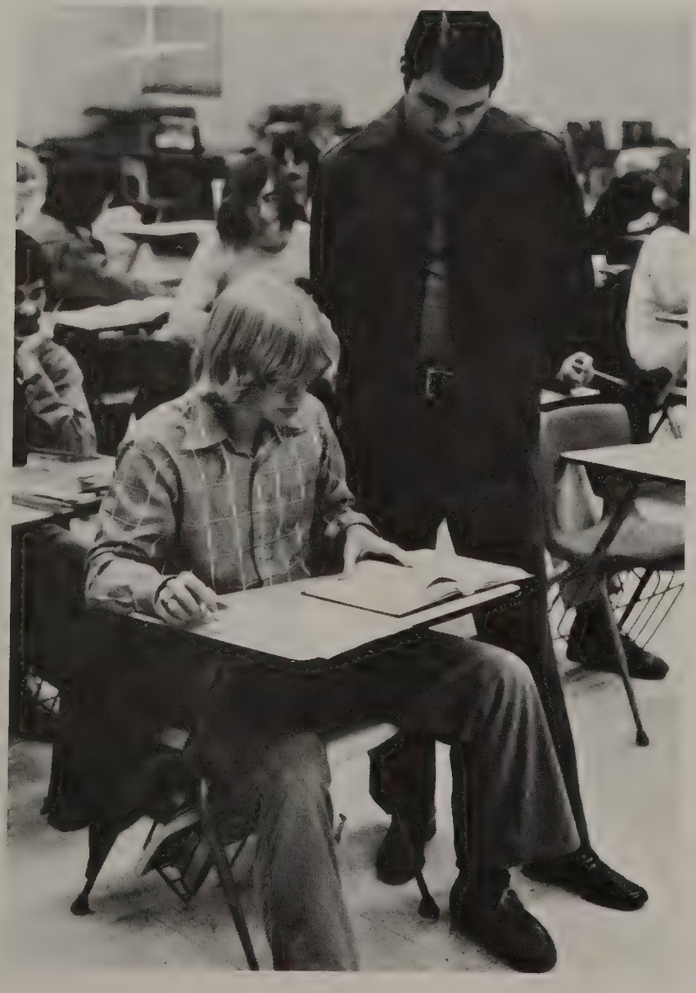
TOP RIGHT: During analysis, Myron Caldwell and Mike Jakelski count money from candy sales.

TOP CENTER: Cathy McKeen pays close attention to an explanation of vectors in math concepts.

FAR RIGHT: Ray Lewis requests help from Mr. Kenneth Cherry in calculus class.

RIGHT: First period Algebra II students of Mr. Cherry wait for the bell before class begins.





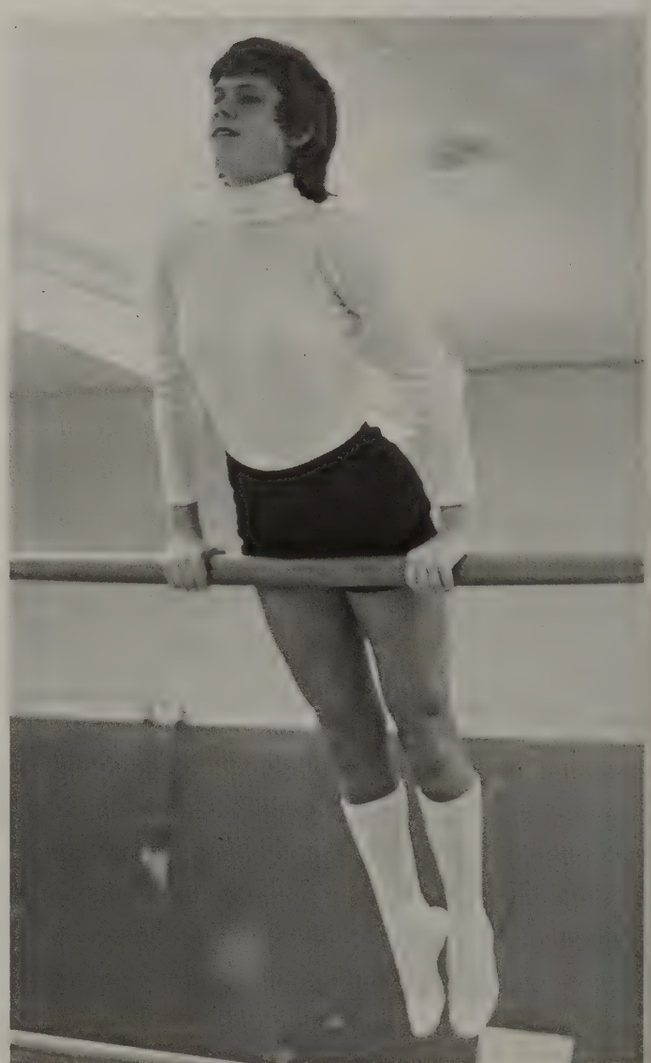
Diversity keynote in physical education classes

Diversity was the term applied to the program for the physical education classes. Because of Title IX which ruled that sports programs for women must be supported on a par with programs for their male counterparts, more emphasis was placed on girls' P.E.

Gymnasts were pleased with improvements made in their athletic field. Uneven parallel bars, a balance beam, and a horse made this area more complete. Girls taking P.E. were required to perform individual routines which they created on some sort of gym equipment.

In their spring semester, the girls physical education classes studied a unit on dance. To culminate their unit, they choreographed dances, selected their music, and presented a program in the auditorium. Those not performing on stage worked behind the curtains in lighting and costuming.

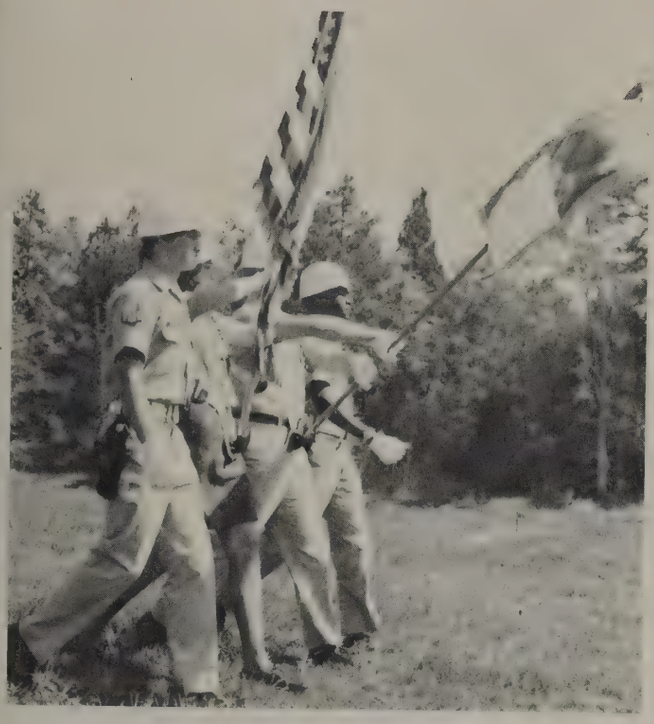
An addition to the department was a new weight room which was equipped with all sorts of weights.



ABOVE RIGHT: Kevin Tackett applies his strength to lifting weights during a gym class.

ABOVE: Lisa White demonstrates her skill at obtaining a "tuck position" on the trampoline.

RIGHT: Sophomore, Laura Price demonstrates her gymnastic abilities on the uneven parallel bars.



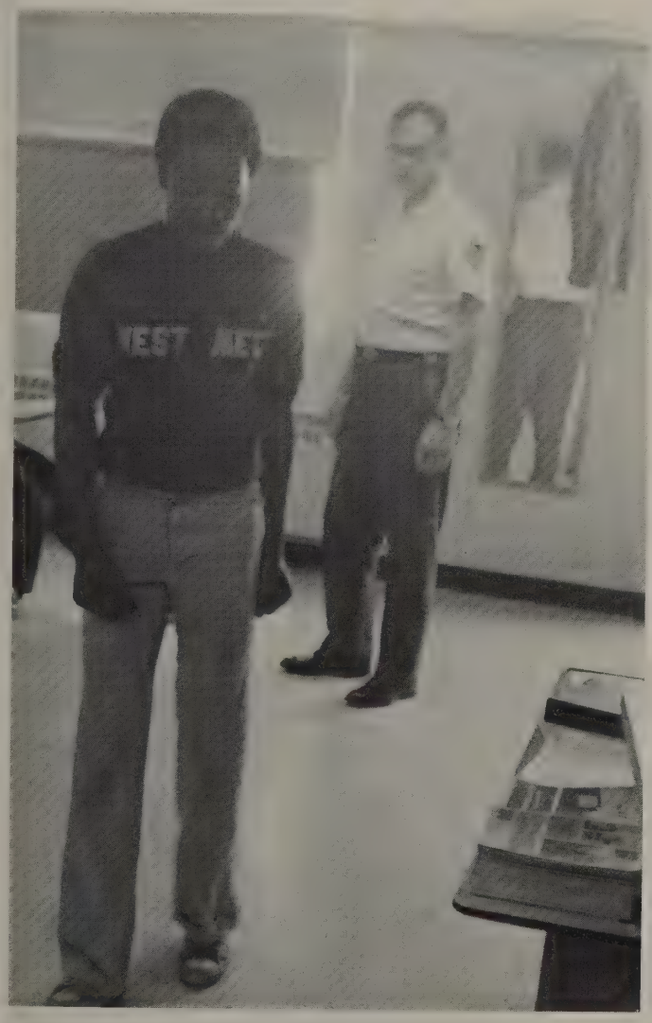
Cadets study ceremonies, military drills, history

Cadets enrolled in the ROTC program familiarized themselves with ceremonies and drills used by the military. During their first-year course in aerospace education, students studied the history of the United States Air Force.

Students taking the course for the second year developed individual and group skills necessary for participation in ceremonies, while third-year students analyzed factors and leadership situations. Throughout the year emphasis was placed on building self-confidence and leadership. Classwork and activities were planned to help cadets reach this goal.

For those enrolled in the subject, it was not all marching and drilling. Cadets participated in the Carrousel Parade. In full dress uniforms, they displayed military techniques under the leadership of Cadet Tim Helms.

Field days with cadets competing with ROTC units from the other area high schools were conducted each spring. As a grand finale the parade and award ceremony was held at the end of the school year with outstanding cadets honored.



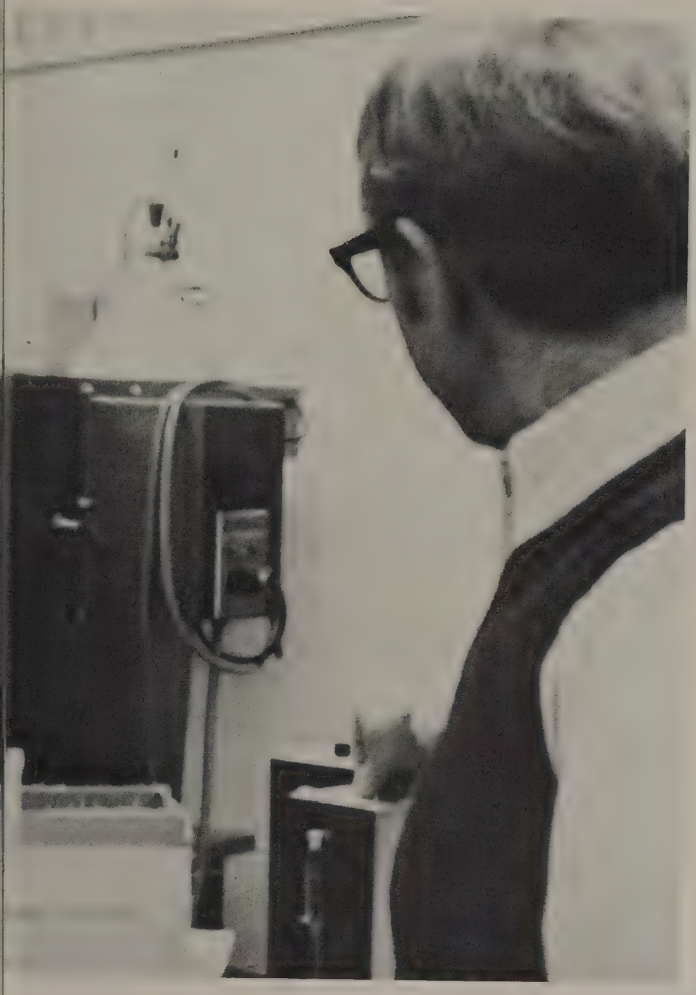
ABOVE LEFT: Larry Stewart, Cynthia Sharpling, Ronnie Huggins, Clayton Price present the colors.

LEFT: Sergeant Paul Guy observes Gerald Wilburn as he learns the basic steps of marching.

ABOVE: ROTC members Richard Kiser, Ron Whitaker, and Butch Branch fold the flag after school.

ABOVE: Beakers, Florence flasks, and graduated cylinders are useful tools to chemistry students.

RIGHT: Senior Jimmy Pinkston listens attentively as Mr. Thomas Slaughter explains a lab.



Mini-courses in science create student interest

Students in the biological sciences were able to take mini courses in several areas. These included botany, ecology, embryology, genetics, human anatomy, and zoology. Even though the sophomores had enrolled in Biology I, they could choose from these areas of interest and study them for nine weeks.

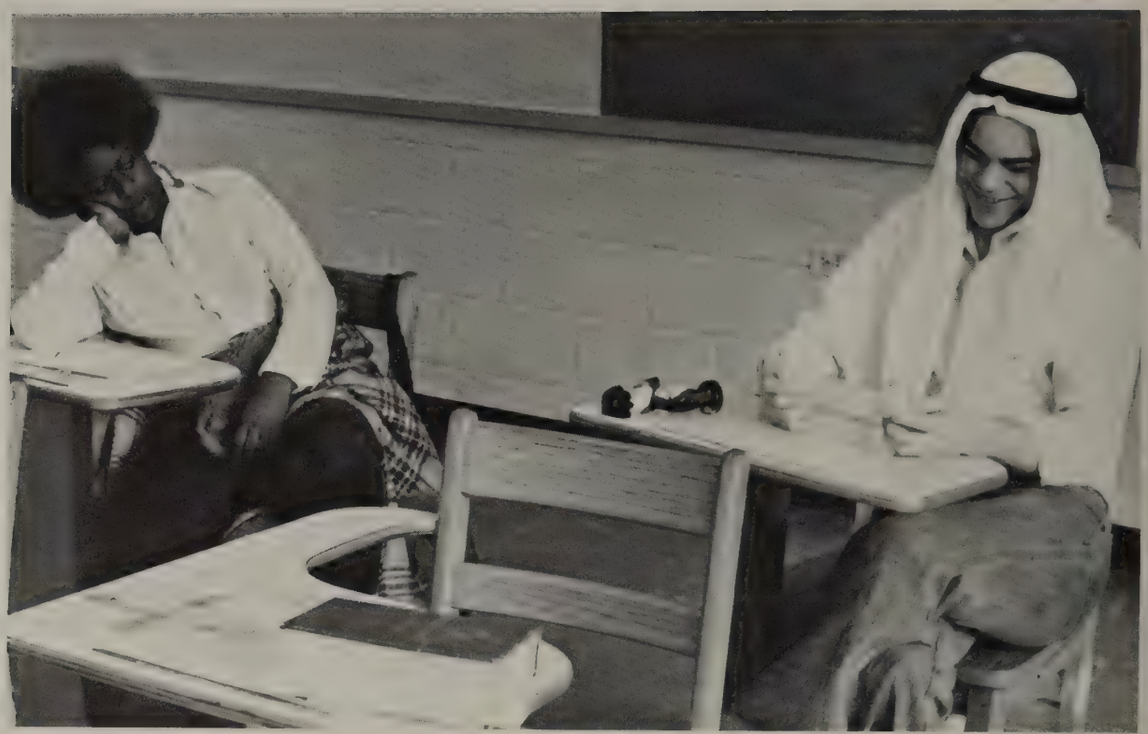
Those juniors and seniors who wanted to expand their interest in the biological sciences could sign up for Biology II. Those doing so indicated their understanding of living things. They learned to incorporate laboratory techniques in their study of life science concepts. Dissecting labs were filled with scalpel-happy students examining their specimens amid groans and gasps.

While biological science students were dissecting and studying ecological relationships, those taking chemistry and physics balanced equations, prepared molar solutions, learned of disintegration, and explored laws of electricity and force. Chemistry students heard a resource person speak on florescense.

Students attended the WBTV High School Convocation, February 21 to hear Dr. Rene Dubos, world renowned scientist and ecologist.

TOP CENTER: Mr. Slaughter explains the importance of lab equipment to Chemistry I students.

LEFT: During Dimensions Week, science teachers and assistants prepare for a rocket launch.



ABOVE RIGHT: Deborah Switzer watches David Motley exhibit headdress from the Holy Land.

RIGHT: Mr. Fred Kessler observes Carnel Matthews creating a collage for a psychology class.

Students study present, past in social sciences

Enrolled in the social studies classes, students learned of man's past and present history. American history classes studied background ideas. In them, they set out to understand more of the causes and relationships of events with not so much emphasis on dates, persons, and places.

Seniors in law and justice studied the United States Constitution. They took field trips to the local office of the FBI, the Law Enforcement Center, a federal court session, and the county jail.

Innovations and new courses were most evident in the Social Science Department. No longer were students required to take the one-year courses in U.S. History and world history although these were still available to those choosing to enroll in them. New semester subjects included a course in Asian history and one on Europe in the Middle Ages.

Some students capable of doing independent study delved into current problems or historical events. Those involved expressed satisfaction with their efforts.

Courses in general psychology, abnormal psychology, sociology, and Bible proved to be popular for those who were interested in the social sciences. Some of these subjects offered different approaches to studying. Contemporary ideas were combined with history. Psychology students heard a resource speaker on ESP. They also learned to observe human behavior.

TOP LEFT: Sitting in the deserted hall, Barry Blankenship makes up a history test he missed.

ABOVE: In Bible, John Carothers wears crown of thorns symbolizing the one worn by Christ.

RIGHT: Joy Eppes demonstrates her oriental project to members of her modern world history class.

Lectures, demonstrations, field trips spark interest in occupational courses

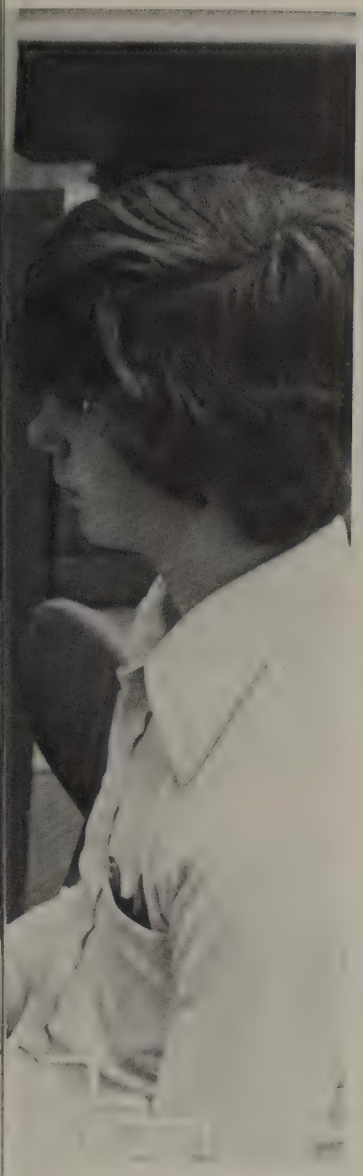
Students interested in various aspects of the business world were offered a wide choice of occupational and business courses. Courses ranged from auto mechanics to typing and shorthand.

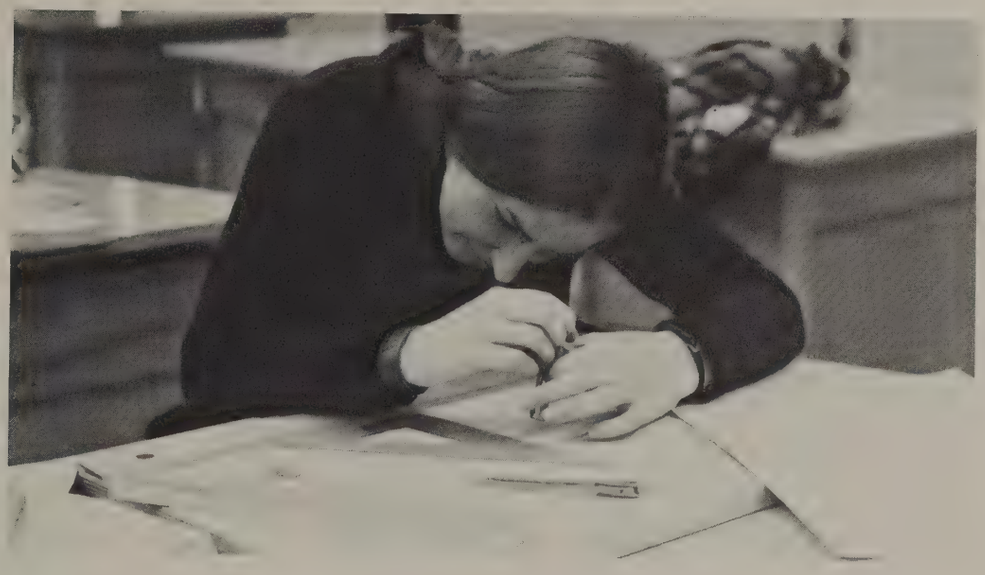
Besides becoming well acquainted with the course, students were taken on several field trips where they could see the real thing. On January 8, Mr. Rick Bilbro took the electronics class to visit WBTV. Field trips made by fashion merchandising included visits to Stratford House, The Collins Company and the Troyann Ross Institute of Modeling. Students in fashion merchandising gave a fashion show at TRIM, giving them a taste of actual modeling. Horticulture classes took time out to visit the Southern Living Show.

Guest speakers also provided students with better insights into the occupations. With interesting lectures and experimental demonstrations, students were able to visualize the advantages and disadvantages of different aspects of their careers.

ABOVE RIGHT: Patty Gayle and sophomore Danny Berrier whiz through the daily keypunch lesson.

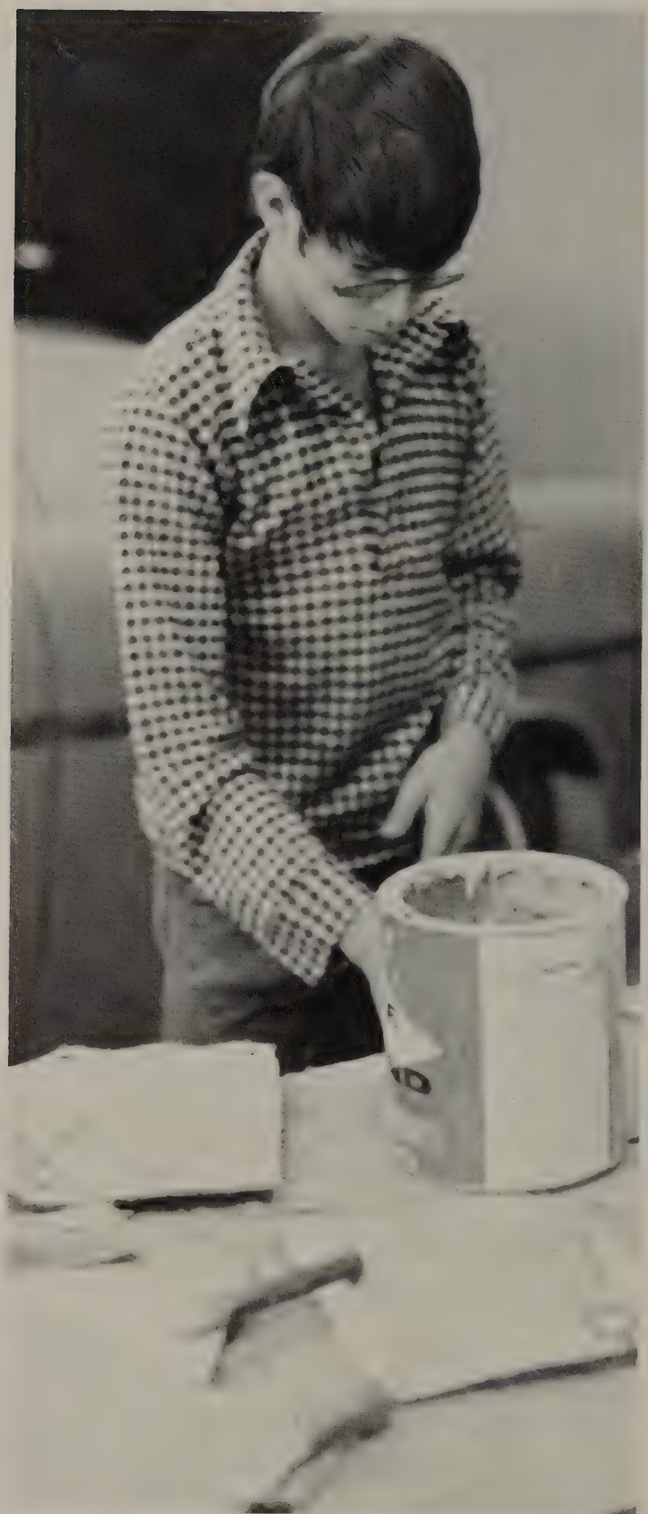
RIGHT: During the mini-courses, sophomore students visit in Miss Broadway's typing class.





TOP RIGHT: With hopes of becoming a model, Lynette West practices in the fashion show at TRIM.

ABOVE: Senior Robin Fullerton works to perfect her drawing during fourth period drafting class.



ABOVE: Senior Eddie Roach organizes materials in preparation for an auto body shop project.

ABOVE RIGHT: Striving for efficiency as well as speed, Angie Starnes practices her typing.

RIGHT: During auto mechanics Jerome Easter works to repair the worn pistons and rings.

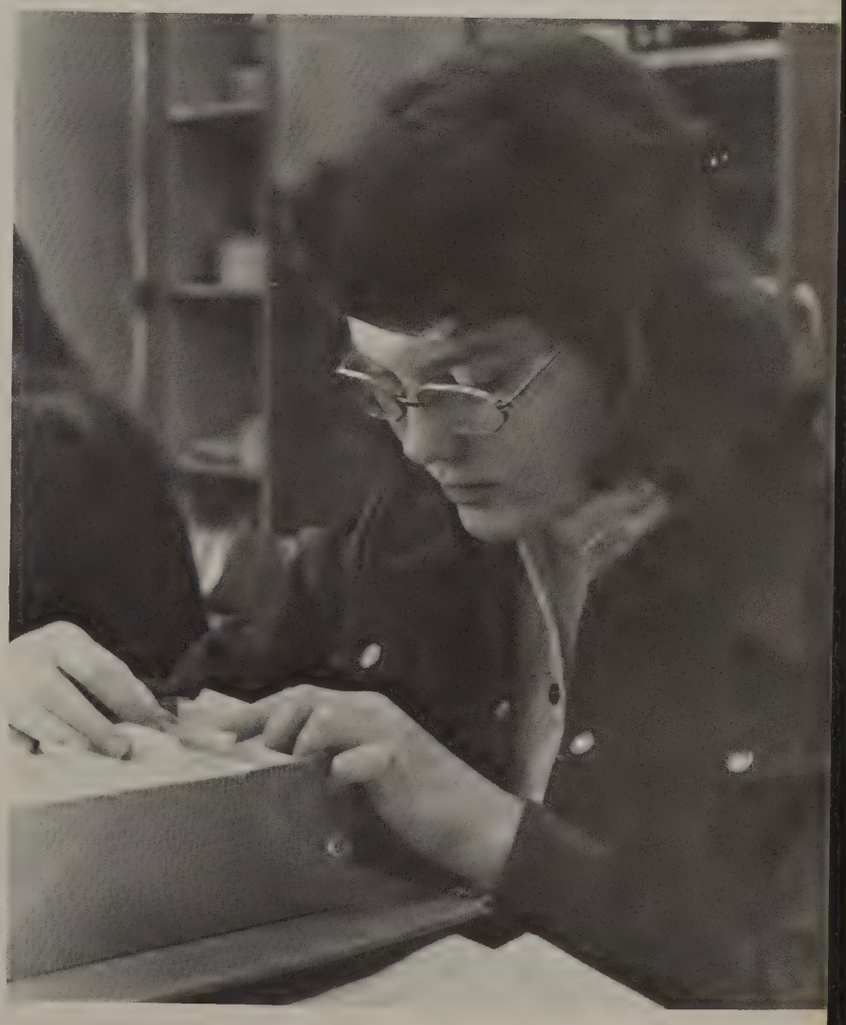
Orientation students learn of themselves, others

Designed to help sophomores adapt to high school, the eighteen week orientation course covered a number of topics. These included units on sex education, alcohol, death, drugs and family life. The objective of the course was to help students learn more about themselves and others. In an effort to better understand people with handicaps, students pretended to be handicapped themselves.

During the unit on law, students studied their legal rights and responsibilities. Guest speakers included Mr. Allen Bailey, a local attorney at law, and Patrolman Phil Paschal, school resource officer. They discussed youth's responsibilities under the law.

Speakers from the Mecklenburg County Health Department presented informal talks on birth control. Rev. Bob Lassister, assistant pastor of St. John's Baptist Church, visited classes when the unit on death was covered. He talked to students about the religious aspects of death.

For the second year, sophomores in the program were able to sign up for mini-courses in interest areas. Consisting of three weeks, the mini-courses were set up to let students observe and take part in two classes which they could elect to take in their junior and senior years. In addition to participating in each five-day course, they learned to develop study habits for one week.



ABOVE: Charlie Wilkerson consults with Mrs. Harris on mini-courses during orientation.

RIGHT: Taking annual as a mini-course, Beverly Briggs spends week working on indexing pages.

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After the school board's decision concerning pupil reassignment plans, West found itself with an approximate two-thirds new student body. Though sophomores made up the majority of new arrivals, the Junior Class was also filled with unfamiliar faces. Classes got off to a slow start, with elections for class officers being postponed until October and November. Plans for the Junior-Senior prom did not get under way until Monday before Thanksgiving holidays.

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the new reality

With Thanksgiving and Christmas vacations came a flurry of activities. Sophomores held their class elections, seniors wrote colleges for freshman applications, while juniors ordered their long-awaited high school rings.

Every year we are seeing different faces, but somehow we never change. Sure, our individuality was here, but the union, and togetherness was here, also. Faces come and soon leave, but never will the spirit leave.

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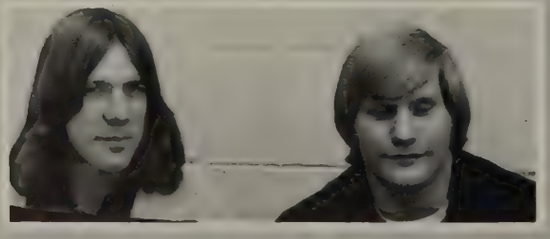


August 26 began a new year of learning. Sophomores, seemingly lost in an ocean of students, welcomed familiar faces of students from junior-high days. These friends helped make them secure on the first day of senior high. Juniors transferred to West from other schools joined with those returning to make their class the most spirited. Seniors anticipated "their year." As students we began to reach out and to expand our consciousness. Although we found differences, we soon discovered similarities. Some students we never knew; others we will forget. Even with all this, the most remarkable was change: the new reality.

sophomores

Ricky Abee
Roy Abernathy
Bernard Adamson
Scott Agnew
David Anderson
Howard Anderson

Gay Ardrey
Terri Ayers
Kemp Bailey
Betty Ballard
Vickie Barrett
Sara Barwick

Donna Beal
Karen Beasley
Bernard Beatty
Ray Bennett
Carol Benton
Danny Berrier

Apathy strikes; sophomore class fails to conduct

Wanda Berry
Stephanie Best
Elaine Black
Nancy Blackburn
Pete Blanton
Kenny Bolton

Kim Bostick
Mary Bouler
Sandra Boyd
Don Bradshaw
Joyce Bradshaw
Keith Brady

Butch Branch
Greg Braxton
Kim Bridges
Beverly Briggs
Donna Broome
George Broome

Sophomore elections had not been conducted at the time the 1975 'Tomahawk' went to the printer. Announcements had been made requesting that interested sophomores submit their names and statements as to why they wanted to run for class officers, but only four students responded. This left the Sophomore Class without representation on the Executive Council.

Even though the overall interest in running for class officers was lacking, some sophomores did become involved in school life. They participated in Jayvee sports which helped them find their own "little niche." Others joined clubs and organizations; but as a whole, they lacked leadership to get involved. In the spirit chain contest held during homecoming week, the sophomores came in last, purchasing less than a thousand spirit strips.

New friendships developed while old friendships flourished as the class members experienced the special feelings that only high school life can bring. They felt proud because they knew what to scream at pep rallies when the cheerleaders yelled, "Sophomores, shout your battle cry!"

Chris Brown
Muriel Brown
Tommy Brown

Glenda Brumley
Goldine Bryant
Lynn Bryant

Mark Burns
Randy Bustard
Jill Butler

elections; underclassmen have too few candidates

Sophomores check their schedule as they attempt to locate the room for their next class.

Patricia Butler
Chris Byrum

Robbie Campbell
David Caldwell

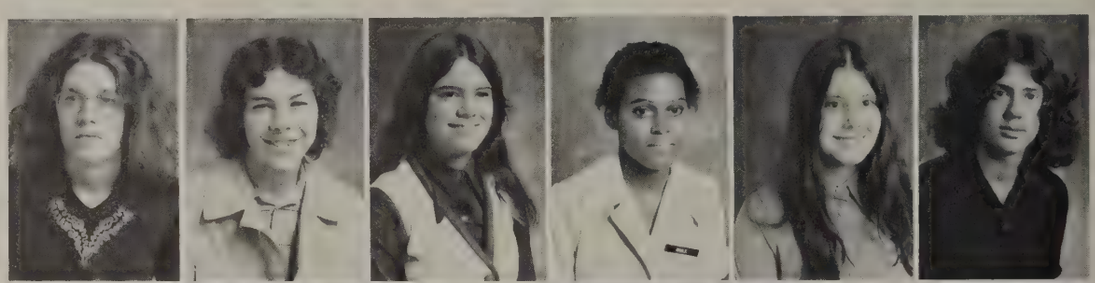
Gayle Carpenter
Lisa Carpenter

Mickie Bouler sits and waits anxiously for the results of the J.V. cheerleading tryouts.

Adele Carr
Michael Carson

Donna Caton
Mike Caudill

Mike Caudle
John Caulfield
Mary Jane Cavin
Ella Chalk
Patricia Chapman
Don Chewning



Thomas Chidester
Jackie Clark
Maggie Clark
Chipper Cline
Lillie Cobb
Clinton Cohems

Ken Collins
Jerry Cook
Tracy Cook
Audie Cooper
Mike Cooper
Vickie Cooper

Ken Corry
Tammy Cox
Duanette Crenshaw
Carolyn Crowe
Sandy Crump
Maggie Culp

Craig Dagenhart
Jeff Daughtery
Cassandra Davis
Lynn Davis
Robbie Davis
Terry Dawkins

Tim Dees
Carole Delain
Debbie Dellinger
Marsha Dellinger
Terry Diggs
Thomas Dixon

Adrian Duncan
Gwen Duncan
Mark Dutton
Jerry Ealey
Darlene Edwards
Kim Eldridge

J.V. cheerleaders boost spirit in sports seasons 173

Cindy Eller
Eloise Ellison
Penny Elmore
Joe Etter
Mary Evans
Carol Ewald

Patti Ewart
Sarah Fagg
James Farmer
Cindy Ferguson
Ray Ferrell
Lisa Fincher

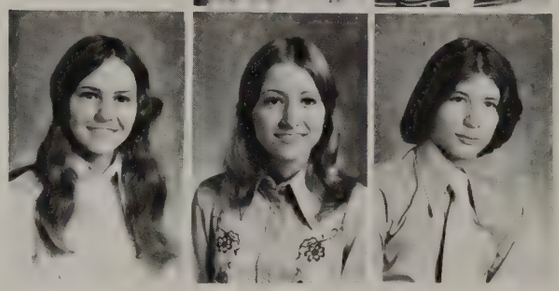
Mark Fisher
Angela Forney
Anthony Foster
Carl Foster

John Thomas aids aerial attack of varsity squad

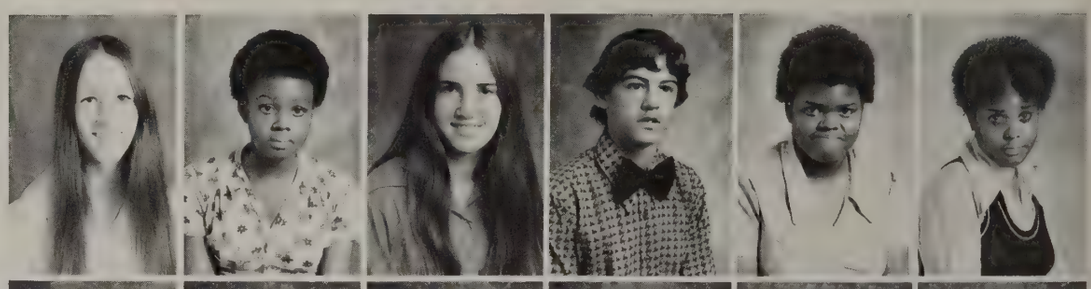
RIGHT: Blockers provide a wall of protection as Jayvee Quarterback Chris Rust prepares to throw.

Cathey Fowler
Kim Fowler

Joyce Freeman
Julie Freeman
Allen Funderburke



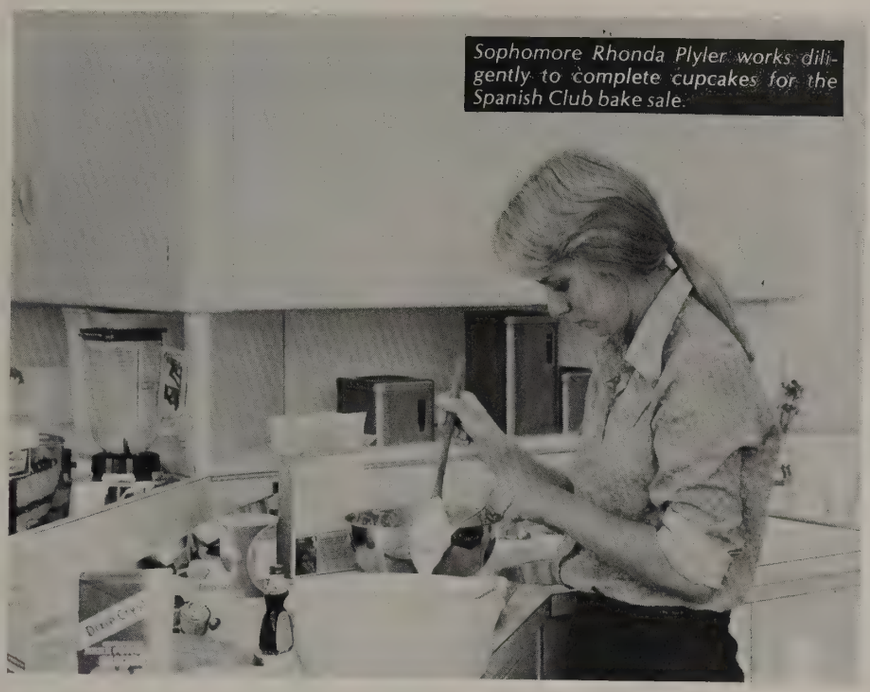
Tammy Gaddy
Ernestine Gadsden
Donna Gallman
Bill Gardner
Victoria Gardner
Vivian Gardner



Mike Gaskin
Margaret George
Cathy Gibson
Don Gibson
Donna Gibson
Rhonda Gibson

Derrick Glass
Kathy Glines
Tim Goodman
Michelle Gordon
Doris Greene
Deborah Griffith

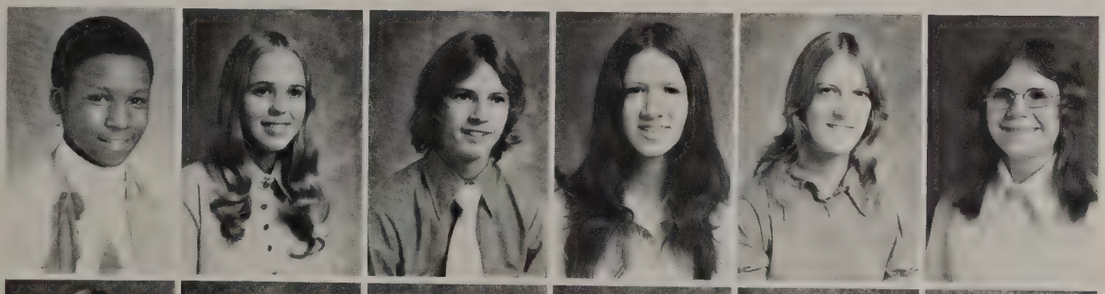
Ronald Griffith
Barbara Guy
Scott Hager
Donna Hagler
Linda Hagler
Ejeanice Hall



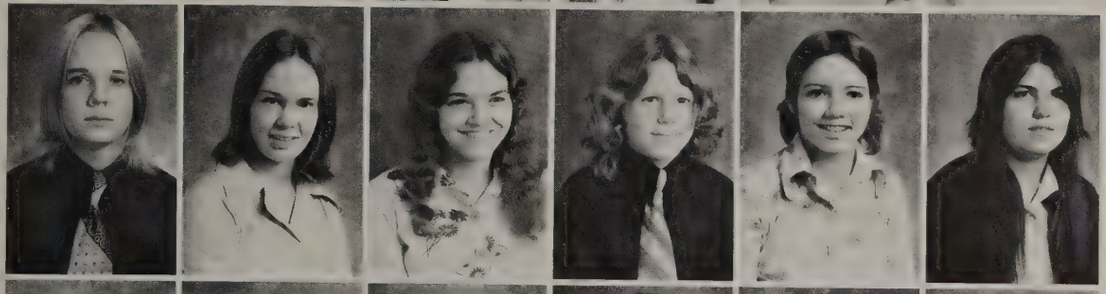
Sophomore Rhonda Plyler works diligently to complete cupcakes for the Spanish Club bake sale.

Ken Handy

Steve Hargett



Glendora Harlee
Roxanne Harrison
Scotty Hartis
Anita Hartley
Inga Hatley
Patti Helms



Steve Helms
Nancy Henderson
Donna Henry
Jeff Henson
Teresa Henson
Cheryl Hestikind

Pam Hinson
Tony Holt
Craig Holton
Paula Howell
Reese Howell
Pearline Howze

Charlotte Hoyle
Judy Hrisak
Cindy Huddleston
Billy Huffstetler
Jay Huffstickler
Donna Hunter

Jimmy Huntley
Paul Hutchinson
Cathy Jackson
Kathy Jetton
Mark Johnson
Phyllis Johnson

Sherry Johnson
Sandra Johnston
Jimmy Jones
Ricky Jones
Raymond Jordan
Mark Kelly

Tony Killman
Louise King
Richard Kiser
Jan Kivora
Keith Koger
Linda Lambert

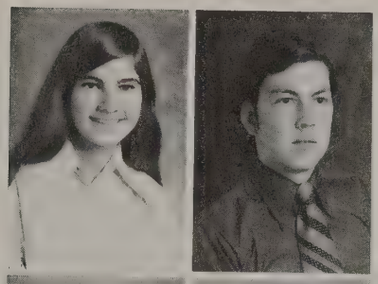
Jeff Lane
Eric Lanier
Phillip Lappish
Lynn Lathan
Renee Latour
Brian Lawing

Scotty Lawing
Steve Lawrence
Earline Leggett
Debbie Link
Bessie Little
Audrey Love

Terry Lovingood
Cynthia Lovvorn
Dorothy Lowe
Rosemary Lucas
Marsha Luckey
Renee Lully

Sophomores adjust quickly to different environment

During a French Club meeting, Gerri Ann Smith squinches as she samples foreign cheeses.



Juanita Lutz
Tom Lynch

Maurice Mackey
Pam Mackey

Harvey Maners
Lorraine Mata
Eddy Maynord
Mark McCall
Sandra McCarver
Johnetta McCollum

Albert McCorkle
Kathy McCorkle
Karen McDaniels
Thad McElveen
Chris McGee
Joey McGill

Mark McIntyre
Nancy McLaurin
Jack McNeely
John McQuay
Robert McRorie
Katrina Melton

Eric Metts
Doris Miller
Susan Millsaps
Debra Moore
Grace Moore
Jerry Moore

David Morgan
Cathy Morris
Tammy Morris
Harry Morrison
Eddie Morrow
Rodney Moses

Roni Moss
Steve Mozeley
Dan Mullis
Claudio Mungo
Monty Newell
Mindi Nicholson

Dennis Noble
Lola Oates
Kurt Olsen
Bobby Pace
Brian Parks

Bruce Parks
Mike Parrott
Bucky Patrick
Janice Patterson
Cindy Perkins
Greg Petzke

Susan Pistole
Gene Plummer
Rhonda Plyler
Laura Price
Cathy Priest
Sherman Randolph

Beverly Rappe
Andrea Raye
Charlene Reddick
Andrea Reed
Gene Reed
Marlene Rendleman

Underclassmen gain wisdom in required courses

LEFT: Mrs. Nancy Benfield's English class takes a break, posing for **Tomahawk** *cameraman.*

Donna Reynolds
Annette Rhyne

Gene Richardson
Bobby Riggins

Linda Roberts
Bryan Robinson
Preston Robinson
Mark Rogers
Eddy Roland
Helen Roscoe

Teresa Rosenbalm
Marsha Rumfelt
Sharon Rumple
Grady Rushing
Chris Russ
Bomer Sadler

William Sadler
Debra Sanders
Robin Schwandt
Shawn Scott
Calvin Sheperd
Tommy Sherrin

Members of Mrs. Barbara Rohrman's P.E. class watch Lisa White perform on the trampoline.

Becky Simmons
Victoria Simpson

Robert Small
Bubba Smith

Gerri Smith
Jeffrey Smith
Mike Smith
Teri Smith
Vivian Smith
Cathy Snyder

Helen Spears
Beverly Stancil
Heidi Starnes
Rachel Staton
Malcolm Stikeleather
Mike Stillwell

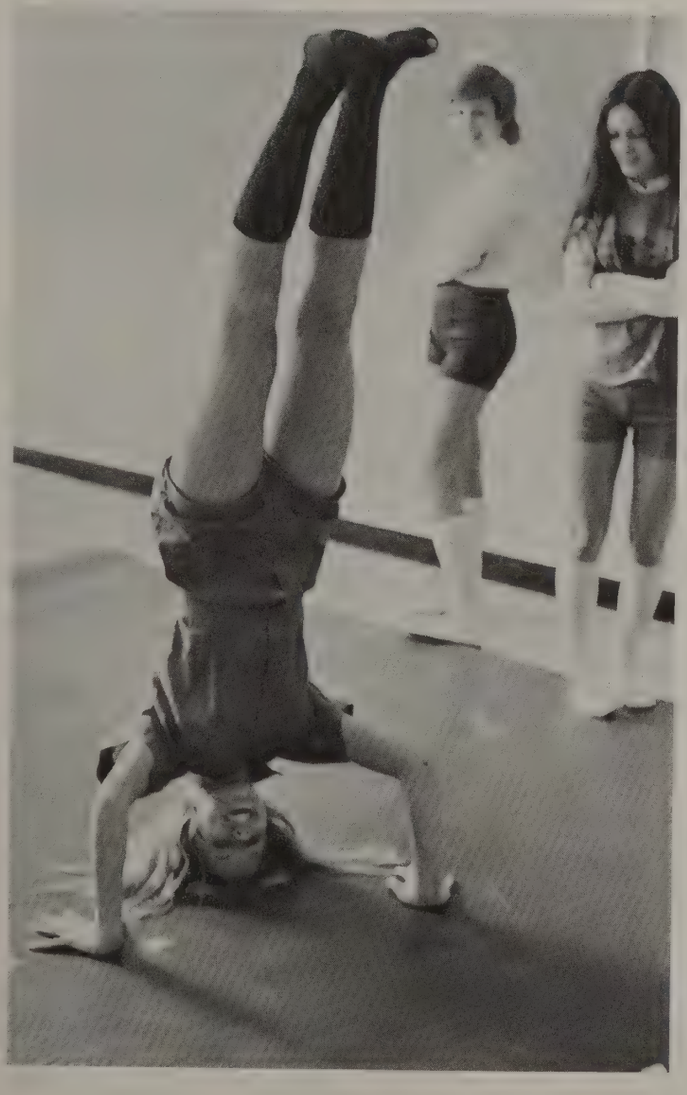
Franklin Stowe
Wilma Stowe
Lee Sullivan
Eric Summerville
Bob Swartz
Lisa Swartz

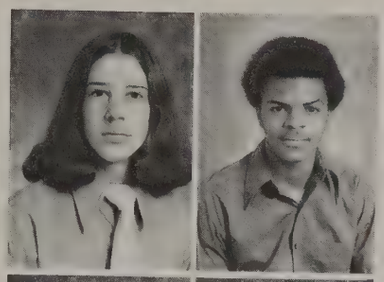
Kevin Tackett
Dean Tadlock
Scott Tadlock
Sharon Tadlock
Debbie Tamson
Cindy Tanner

Joey Tarleton
Alex Taylor
Bobby Taylor
Randy Taylor
Natalie Thompson
Mike Thornburg

Gary Tolbert
Ronnie Townsend
Jerry Tucker
Lynn Vance
Cathy Wadman
Mariann Wadsworth

Sophomore girls' P.E. classes give dance program





Barry Walters
Ronald Ware

Joni Warren
Kathy Webb

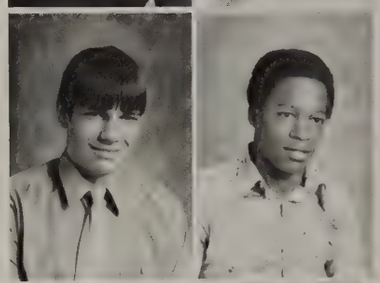
Ralph Webb
Pat Westbrook

Cheri Wheeler

LEFT: During a daily P.E. class, Laura Price observes as Terry Diggs completes a perfect handstand.

RIGHT: Bandsman Adrian Duncan 'trombones out' "What the World Needs Now Is Love" at homecoming.

Lisa White
Lisa White



Andy Whitson
Gerald Wilburn

Donna Williams
Reggie Williams

Teresa Williams
Greg Williford
Charles Wilkerson
Barbara Wilson
Gwen Wilson
Sharon Wilson

Steve Wilson
Donna Wingate
Myra Winters
Steve Winters
Teresa Woodrow
Jackie Woods

Teresa Worrell
Donna Wright
Eddie Wright
Anita Young
Gary Young
Richard Young

juniors

Elections, rings and prom highlight juniors' year

Selling candy, making plans for the Junior-Senior Prom, ordering class rings and anticipating their arrival, taking PSAT and SAT tests, and thinking about college occupied the efforts and thoughts of most Junior Class members.

While they had another year to consider choices for college, they did not have one for the prom, the only social event of the year. Carrying out the most successful candy sale in the history of the school, the middleclassmen made more than enough for expenses and entertained the seniors royally at the prom May 24 at Ranson Junior High School.

Elections were held in November, and the middleclassmen chose as their leaders, Belinda Brawley, Susan Castles, Jackie Foxx, John McCall, and Kim Spadaccini. These officers assisted in choosing a theme for the prom and selecting a band to perform. Also, they helped their classmates order rings November 25. When that day arrived, they knew how seniors had felt the previous year on such a day as this.

Chuck Davis and Leslie Mock carefully count the deciding votes for the Junior Class Committee.

Patricia Adams
Bruce Aiken
Pete Airington
Henry Alexander
Ralph Alexander
Tim Alvis

Jean Anderson
Rusty Anderson
Tony Anderson
Laura Arant
Darlene Auten
Gary Auten

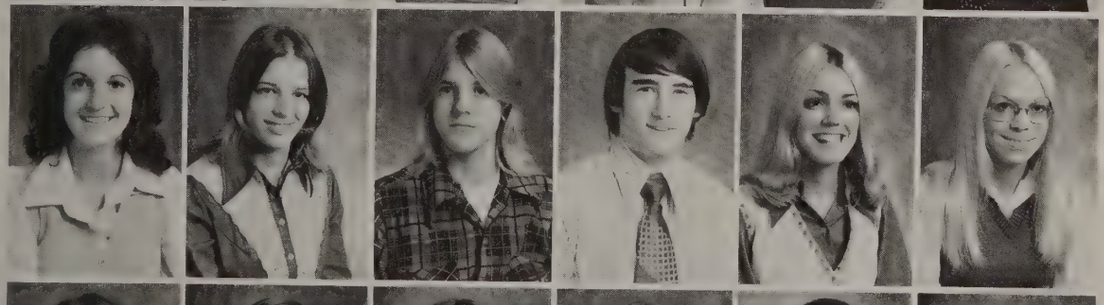
Janet Auten
Darrell Avery
Marsha Aycock
Rudy Aycock
Cathy Barber
Margret Barbour

Joe Benton
Buzz Bizzell
Alavia Black
Hugh Blanton
Libby Blythe
Scott Bogan

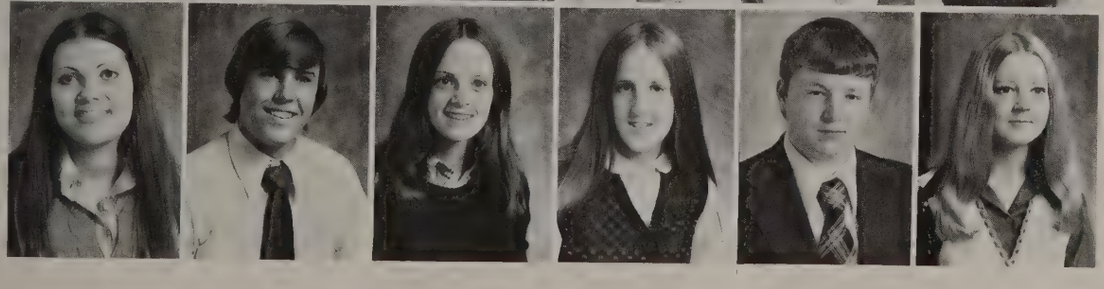
LEFT: Junior Class Committee candidates state reasons for seeking office at a junior assembly.

Robin Bolick
Patrishia Bowen
Karen Bradshaw
Deborah Branch
Belinda Brawley
Donna Braxton

Scott Brisendine
Sarah Brooks
Terry Broome
Debbie Bryant
Marilyn Bullins
Kim Burns



Susan Burrell
Linda Burroughs
David Byars
Myron Caldwell
Renee Camp
Karen Canady



Suzan Canipe
Dale Capps
Cindy Carpenter
Shirleen Carr
Jeff Carter
Kathy Carter

RIGHT: "Telling it like it is," Phyllis Huffman and Cathy Barber enjoy a meal at McDonald's.

David Carver
Susan Castles
Jimmy Cathey
Ramona Cathey
Renee Cathey
June Chatman

Kim Chavers
Reba Clark
Mike Cloninger
Debbie Cochran
Lori Cochran
Gerry Connor

Julie Cook
Neil Cook
Wayne Cooley
Cathy Crane
Doug Crane
Lorenzo Crawford

Melvin Crowder
Steve Currence
Amy Dale
Mark Davenport
Chuck Davis
Dennis Davis

Gene Davis
Sandra Davis
Karen Dellinger
Rodney Dellinger
Laura Digh
Sharon Dimsdale

Avery's homeroom places first in junior candy sale

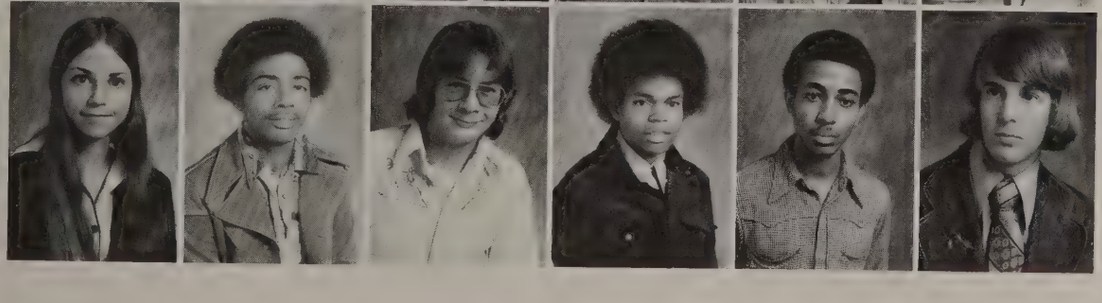
Donna Dowdle
Blaine Duncan
Glenn Dunn
Kevin Dunn
Donna Durham
Debi Ellis

Wendell Ellis
Sean Emery
Pam Estridge
Terry Fair
Kenneth Featherstone
Russell Ferguson

Denise Fletcher
Charlotte Forney
Virginia Forte
Connie Fowler
Jackie Foxx
Robin Foxx

Angela Funderburk
Karen Furr
Kim Furr
Gloria Futrelle
Kevin Gaetano
Sylvia Gaither

Flexton Gardner
Duane Garris
Gay Gelsinger
Robert Gettys
Sandy Gibbs
Matt Gilson



Melanie Godfrey
John Goforth
Ricky Gosey
Audre Graham
Michael Graham
Donnie Green

Initial contact is made on East ball carrier as the Indian defense converges on the play.

Pam Green
Frank Greer
Neomi Gregory
Tamara Griffin
Virginia Griffin
Lisa Grigg

Darlene Groves
Vernon Guest
Tami Guinn
Mike Gurley
Mary Ann Guy
Debbie Hallman

Jerry Handy
Mary Harden
Debbie Harris
Sharon Harris
Gregg Hartley
Karen Hedden

Juniors gain experience, participate in varsity sports

Every varsity sports team included a number of juniors — some of them played key roles during the 1974-75 school year. Many experienced their first time on the varsity team.

The 1974 baseball team gave evidence of the juniors' contributions as six were on the team which won the division title and reached the state playoffs in Durham. Four juniors on the track team contributed to a third-place finish in the state meet.

Baseball and track were not the only sports in which juniors played key roles. Cross country, led by fleet-footed junior Randy Prunty, who made all county, captured many honors. The most significant was the defeat of Myers Park, a first in eighteen years for the cross country team.

Donnie Lanier and Robert Stitt helped the varsity basketball team produce its best record in a number of years. Minor sports teams also depended on juniors for some of their points. These experienced juniors had the coaches looking forward to the 1975-76 seasons. This was especially true of Carl Bolick, who had six returning starters on the 1975 baseball team.

ABOVE: Richard Wilson relaxes following strenuous warm-up exercises before practice begins.

Pam Helms
Renee Helms

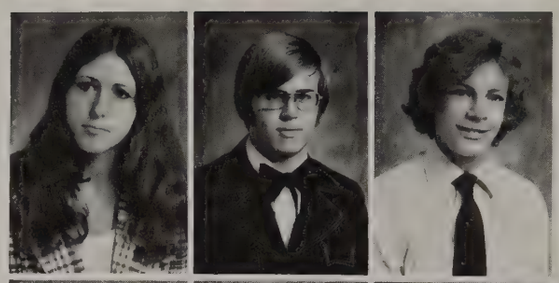
Tim Helms
Amanda Henderson

Rita Hester
Kent Hicks

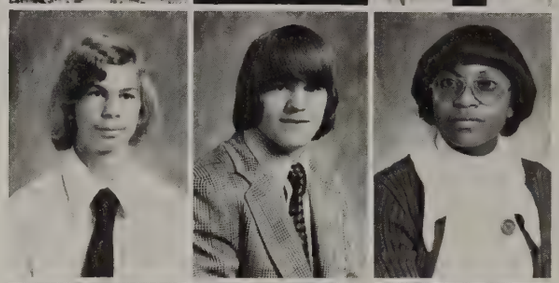
Karen Hinson
Kim Hooper

Tonya Horton
Mike Hovis

Pam Howell
Denise Howie



Phyllis Huffman
Ronald Huggins
Robert Hunt

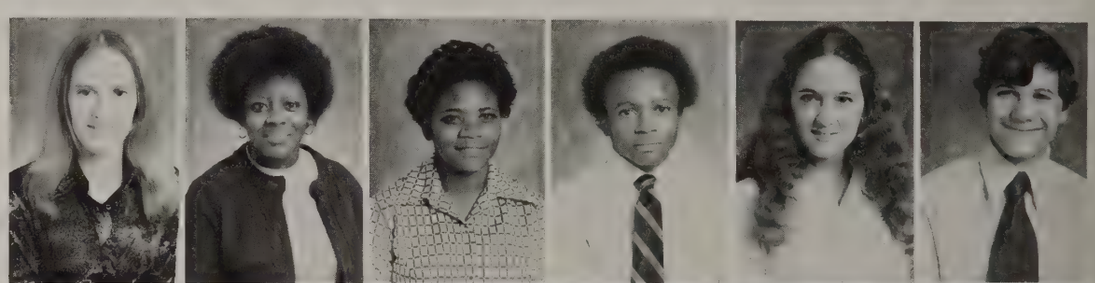


Mike Jakielski
Charles Jenkins
Doris Johnson

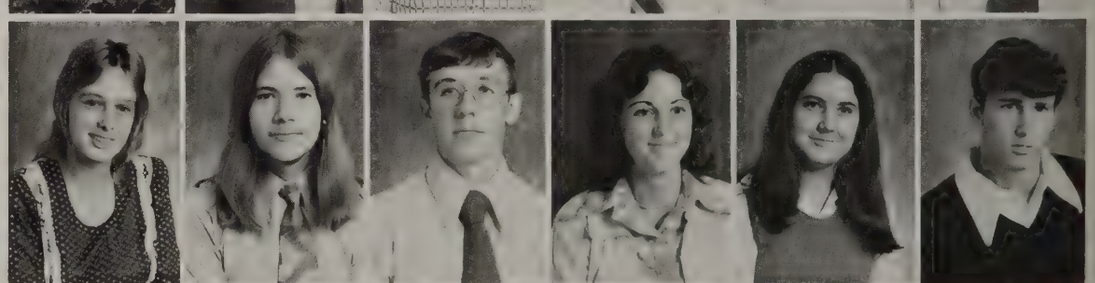
Danny Johnston
Suzette Johnston
Teresa Jones

Becky McGee and Mary Mattox attempt to build a teepee with the juniors' spirit chain.

Junior members of school spirit committee entertain



Kelly Keener
Georgia Kelley
Beulah Kelly
John Kennedy
Toni Kidd
Robin Kiker



Cindy Kyaw
William Lane
Al Laton
Myra Lewis
Karen Linder
Terry Lineberger

Jerry Little
Jane Littlejohn
Danny Long
Hal Love
Phillip Lully
Darlene Mackey

Stanley Marler
James Martin
Cindi Marz
Mary Mattox
Celeste Maxwell
Ella McCall

John McCall
Cynthia McCauley
Sam McClure
Denise McCree
Kim McDaniel
Cindy McDonald

Becky McGee
Rosalind McGee
Donald McGinnis
Virginia McGranahan
Paris McIlwain
Kelly McKee

udent body by participating in Homecoming pep rally

Enthusiastic about owning his very own shaker, Bill Lane smiles as Janet Moore takes his dollar.

Ronald McKinney
Cindy McManus
Larry Miller

Donna Mitchem
Rodney Mode
Amy Moore

Cal Moore
Donnie Moore
Janet Moore

Junior girls actively work in organizations, clubs

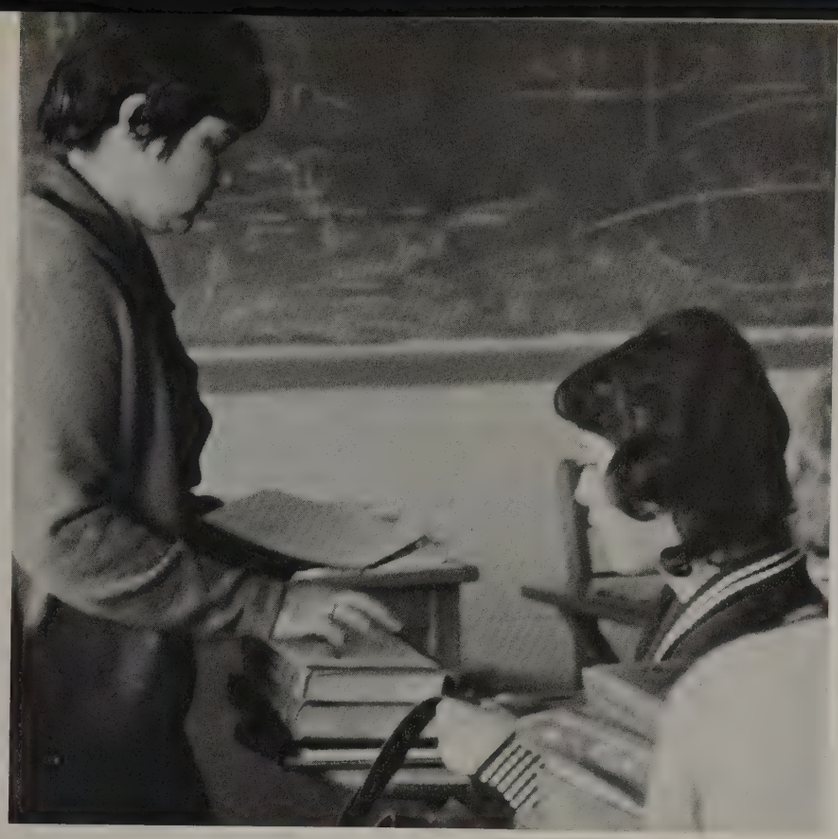
Civinette Kathy Carter takes a break from concession stand duties during a basketball game.

Joyce Moore
Rita Moses
David Motley
Ann Mozeley
Melva Mull
Richard Mullis

Tommy Mullis
Vanay Myers
Carol Nicholson
Cathy Nivens
Judy Nixon
Alan Olson

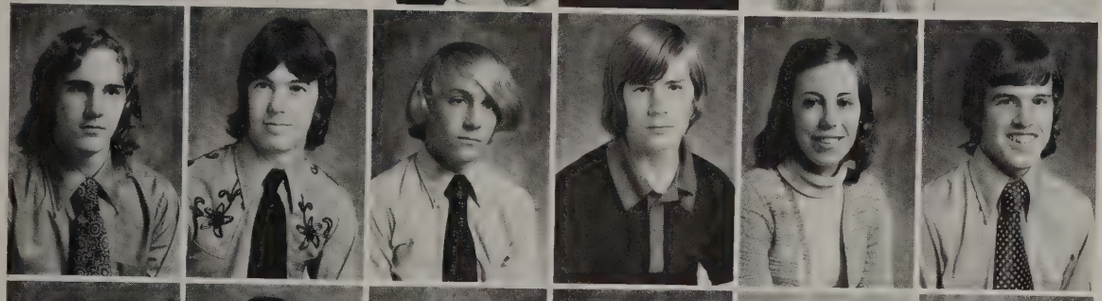
Sandy Owens
Garland Parker
Jackie Parsons
Rosalind Perry
Mildred Pfaff
Phillip Piercy

Iris Pitts
Diane Plummer
Virginia Plyler
Keith Porter
Robbin Porter
Dale Potts



LEFT: Mrs. Zelda Cline takes up Donna Durham's statistic sheet for monthly Civinette activities.

Debbie Powell
Randy Pressley
Barbara Price
Penny Prince
Debbie Proctor
Randy Prunty



Chris Raborn
Michael Ragen
Jimmy Ranson
Robert Ray
Alisa Reames
Robin Reavis

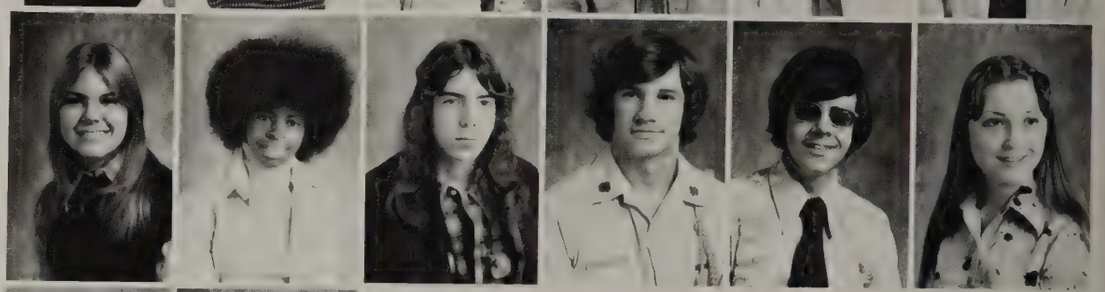
Charlotte Reed
Annie Rogers
Mary-Anne Roseborough
Robin Rozzelle
Chris Sadler
Ken Sain

Mark Samuels
Addie Scott
Cindy Seagle
Cynthia Sharpling
Phillip Sheppard
Jeannie Short

Beth Sides
Allison Smith
Cindy Smith
Cindy Smith
James Smith
Steve Smith

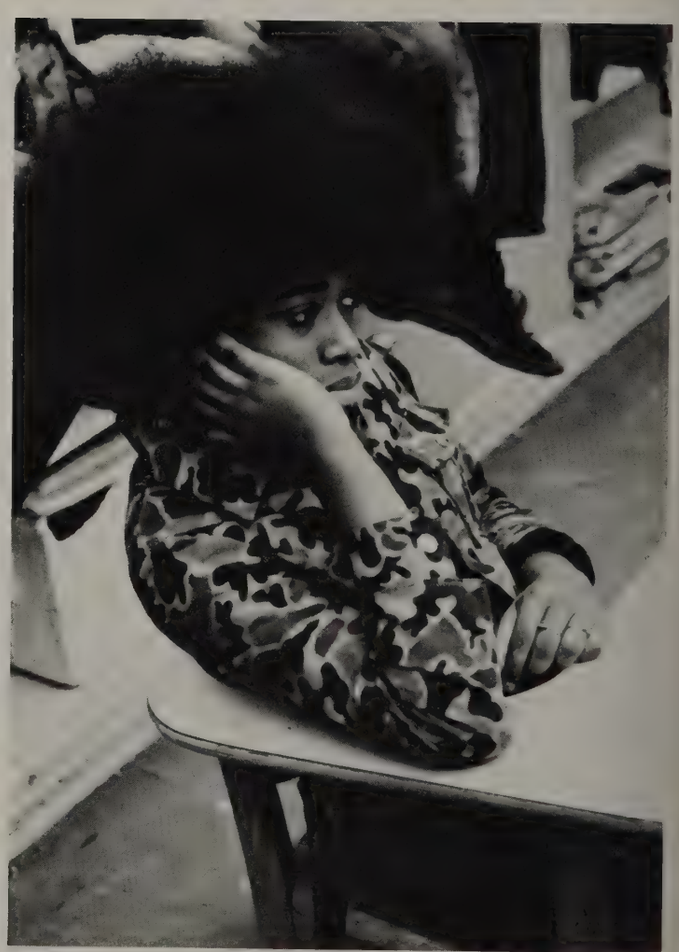
Gail Snodgrass
Kim Spadaccini
Helena Spears
Timothy Springs
Robert Stafford
David Stansberry

Diann Starnes
Margaret Staton
Alan Stephenson
Allen Stewart
Roger Stewart
Cindi Stinson

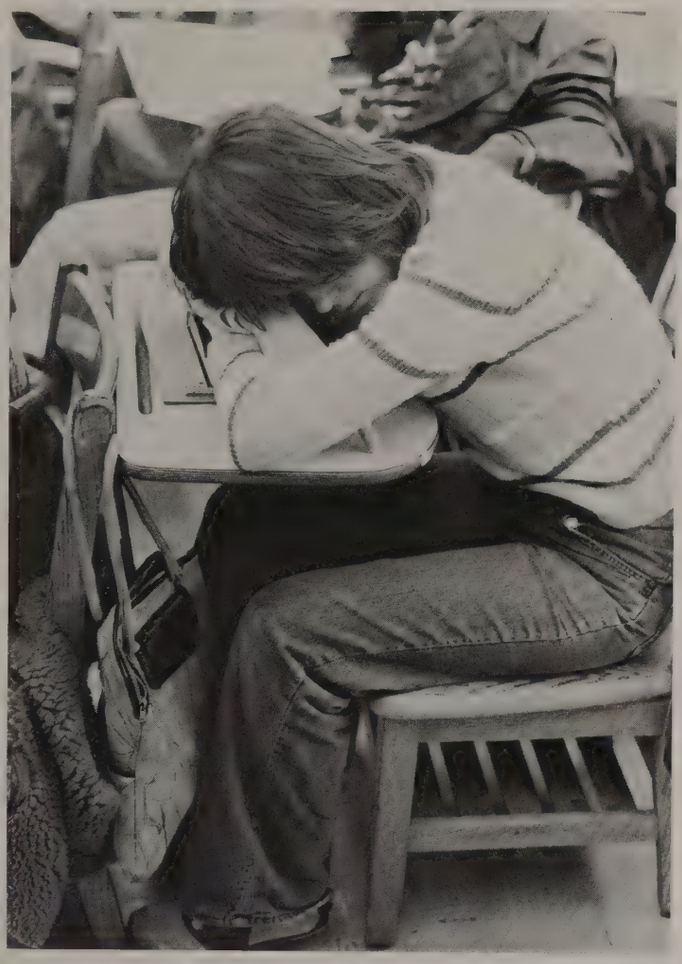


Robert Stitt
Edward Stokes

Marie Stuckey
Doris Sturdevent



RIGHT: After a busy morning of studies, Wanda White anxiously awaits the end of the day.



Inattentiveness in classes caused by lack of sleep, rainy days, daydreams

LEFT: Finding a rainy day to be boring, Terry Broome decides to catch a snooze in class.

Thomas Tadlock
Greg Taylor

Vanessa Taylor
Kenneth Thomas

Velda Thomas
Alan Thompson
Cindy Thompson
Jodie Todd
Cathy Townsend
William Wadsworth

Bill Waldon
Michael Waldrop
Howard Walker
Billy Wallace
Lori Warren
Lynn Warrick

John Washington
Bruce Wellman
Candi Wheat
Georgia Wheeler
Ronald Whitaker
Wanda White

Junior volunteers work at Red Cross "give in"

Melanie Whitley
Terry Wike

Bobby Wilkinson
Kathy Wilkinson

Lesa Wilkinson
Ralph Williams

RIGHT: Mrs. Betty Hunsucker checks blood donor list as Linda Estes waits for note of approval.

Wendee Williams
Rosanna Williamson
Ellen Williford
Vicky Wilson
Kim Witherspoon
Sarah Withrow

Teresa Woodall
David Woods
Teresa Woods
Lester Worthy
Daryl York
Betsy Young

seniors

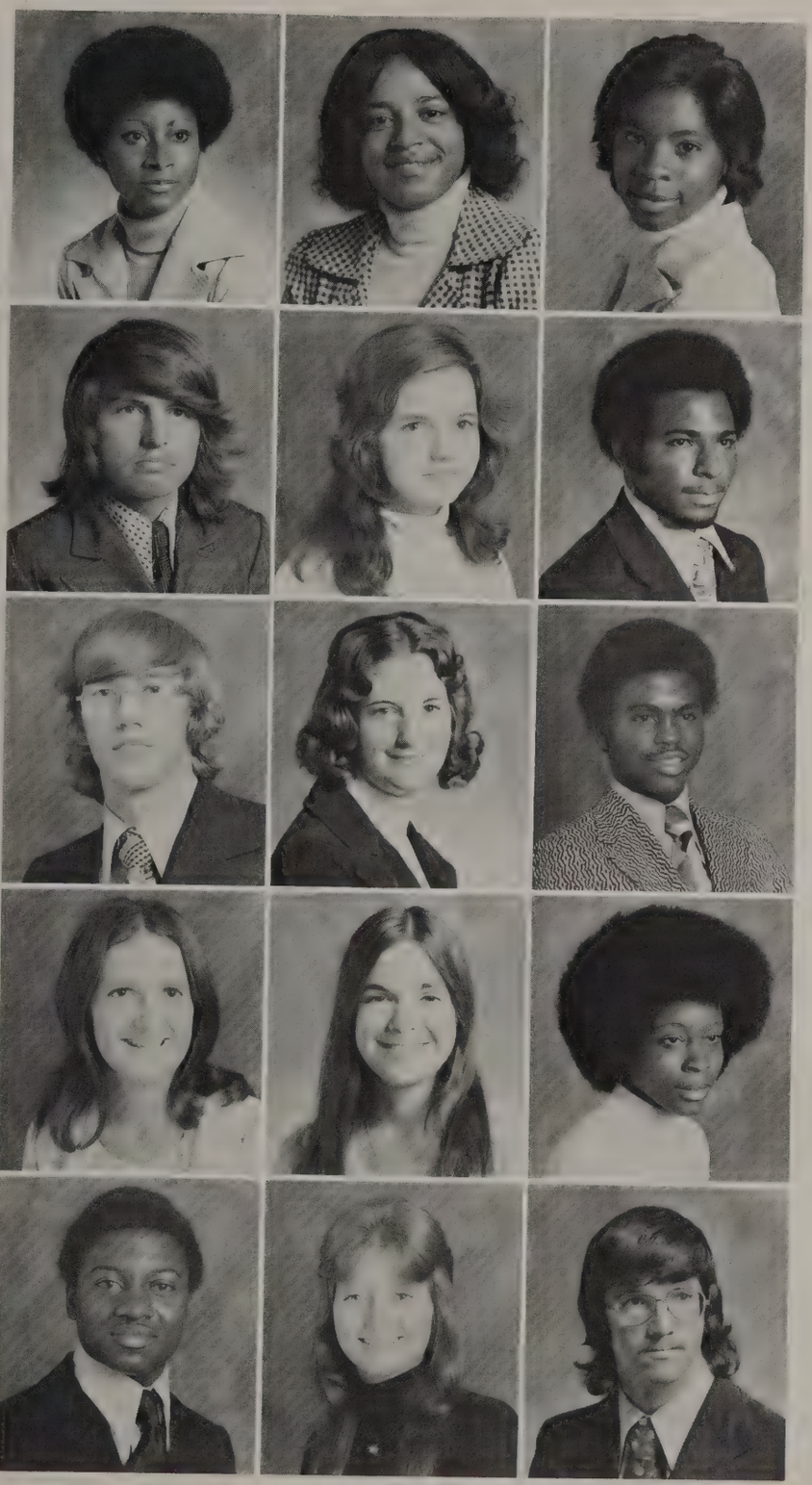
Seniors lead fellow students in spirit chain contest

Out of the three years of high school, the senior year seemed to slip by the fastest. For the Class of 1975, the year was filled with changes, both academic and co-curricular. Because of the school board ruling which delayed all elections, the Senior Class did not elect officers until October 23. Chosen to represent their class were Cynthia McMurray and Tom Query, co-presidents; Leslie Linker, vice-president; and Teresa Burns, secretary-treasurer. Setting the pace for the entire school, the seniors won the Spirit Chain Contest and shared their Christmas spirit by placing a tree in the cafeteria. A feeling of nostalgia prevailed at the Junior-Senior as seniors realized they were attending the last social event of their high school life.

BELOW: Eric Fields, Aaron Hicklen and Wayne Huntley prepare the spirit chain for the pep rally.

Cindy Abercrombie
Melanie Alexander
Cynthia Anthony
Peggy Ardrey
Lisa Austin

Deanna Abraham
Orema Alexander
Marcus Ardrey
Shelia Ardrey
Darrell Avant



Mariam Bacote
Charles Barber
Lester Bell
Susan Bishop
Eugene Blackmoore

Veronica Baldwin
Davida Barwick
Connie Bennett
Hazel Blackburn
Mary Blair

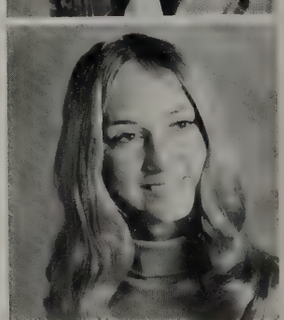
Montressa Barbee
Briley Belk
Darrell Bidgood
Vanessa Blackmon
Barry Blankenship

Baron Alexander: *Basketball 1, 3; Bus Driver 2, 3; Football 1.*
Cynthia Anthony: *Choir 2; Chorus 2; FHA 3; Homeroom Representative 2.*
Marcus Ardrey: *Bus Driver 2, 3; Football 1; Track 1, 2, 3.*
Peggy Ardrey: *Cheerleader 3; COO 3.*
Sheila Ardrey: *GAA 3; Red Cross 3.*
Lisa Austin: *COO 3.*
Mariam Bacote: *Civinettes 2, 3; COO 3; Flag Girl 2; French Club 1, 2.*
Veronica Baldwin: *CEO 3.*
Montressa Barbee: *Art Club 2; Bus Driver 2, 3; Class Representative 2; Drama Club 2, 3; Flag Girl 2; GAA 1, 2, 3; Girls Track Team 1, 2, 3; Homeroom Representative 1, 3; Indianettes 3; Library Club 1, 2; Red Cross 1; Who's Who 3; Outstanding Teenagers of America 3; Spirit Club 3.*
Charles Barber: *Homeroom Representative 1.*
Davida Barwick: *Bible Club 1, 3; Choir 2, 3; Chorus 1; FHA 2; Library Club 3; Spanish Club 1, 3.*
Briley Belk: *Bus Driver 2, 3.*
Connie Bennett: *Drama Club 3; Homeroom Representative 1; ROTC 1, 2, 3; SAE 3.*
Janis Bennett: *Drama Club 3; FHA 3; Red Cross 2, 3; ROTC 1; SAE 2, 3.*
Susan Bishop: *CEO 3; Homeroom Representative 2.*
Hazel Blackburn: *Committee Chairman 2, 3; CEO 3; French Club 3; FHA 2; Homeroom Representative 2, 3; Honor Society 2, 3.*
Vanessa Blackmon: *CEO 3.*
Eugene Blackmoore: *ICT 1.*
Mary Blair: *Annual 2; Bible Club 1, 2, 3; Class Representative 1; Committee Chairman 1, 3; CEO 3; Homecoming Court 3; Homeroom Representative 1; Spanish Club 2; Student Council 1; Campus Life 2, 3; School Spirit 3.*
Barry Blankenship: *Bible Club 2; Football 1, 2; Key Club 2, 3; Spanish Club 2; Track 1, 2, 3.*

BELOW: Joy Eppes provides organization as she arranges scores for the choir, chorus, and Westones.

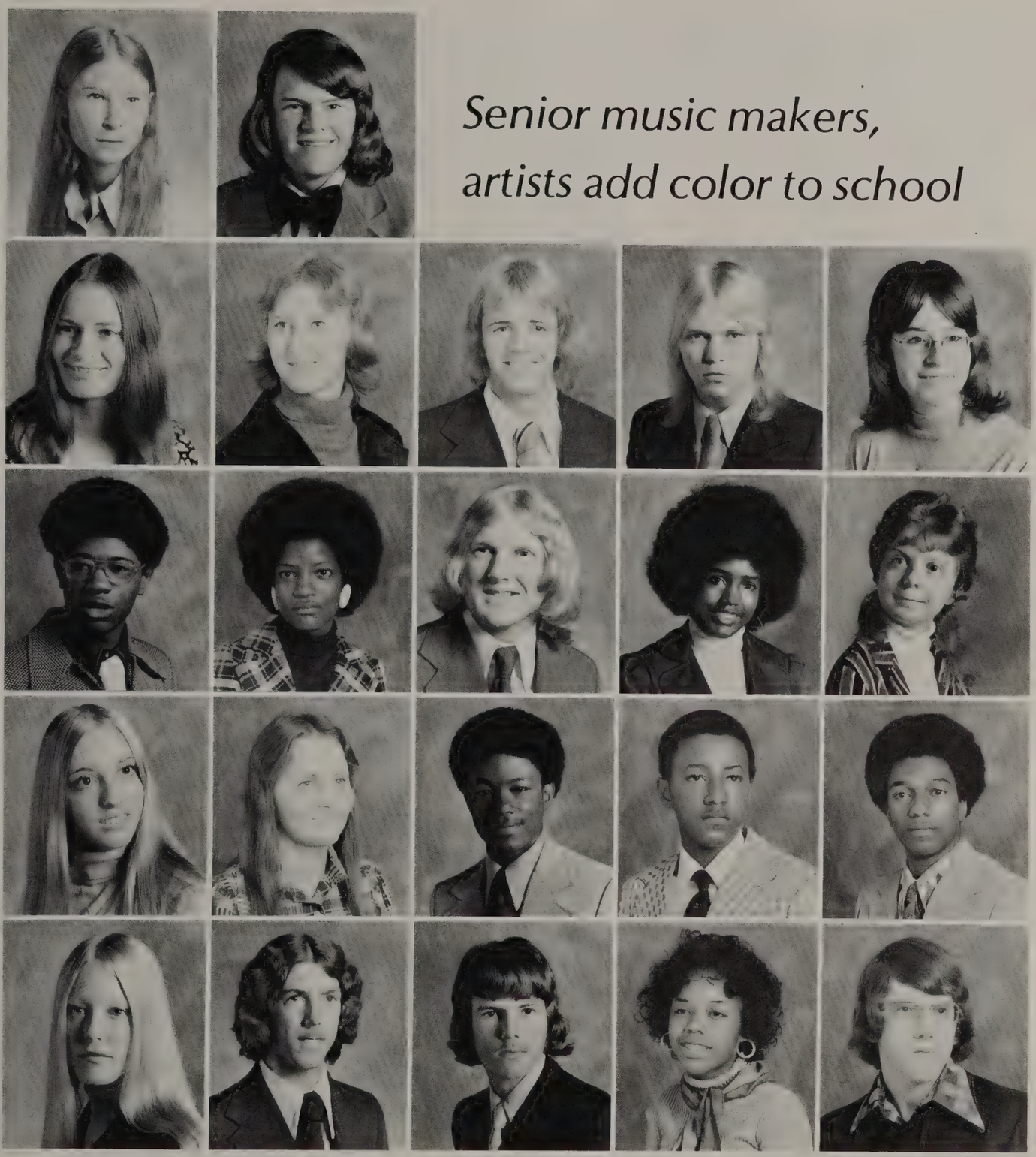
BELOW: Examining his drawing, Reginald Wright consults Mrs. Weston for the finishing touches.

Paul Bradley: *Boys' State 2; FCA 2, 3; Football 3; Honor Society 2, 3; Interclub Council 3; Key Club 1, 2, 3; Project Aries 3; Science Club 3; Wrestling 2.*
Tony Bradley: *DE 2; ICT 3.*
Teresa Bradshaw: *Business Staff 1, 2, 3; Civinettes 1, 2, 3; Flag Girl 3; Orchestra 1, 2, 3.*
Janice Brady: *COO 3; Girls' State 2.*
Steve Brady: *Band 1, 2, 3.*
Pam Bridges: *Annual 3; Civinettes 3; GAA 1; Girls' Volleyball Team 1; Honor Society 2, 3; Spanish Club 1, 2, 3; Who's Who 3.*
Sharon Bridges: *DE 3.*
Marc Broome: *Drama Club 3; Football 1; French Club 1, 2; Key Club 3; Track 1, 2, 3.*
Delaine Brown: *Honor Society 2, 3.*
Pam Brown: *DE 2; Red Cross 2, 3; ROTC 1; SAE 3.*
Nelson Burden: *Red Cross 1.*
Teresa Burns: *Annual 2, 3; Choir 2; Class Representative 3; French Club 1; Homecoming Court 3; Homeroom Representative 2; Orchestra 1, 2, 3; Project Aries 2, 3; Westones 3; Junior Decorating Committee 2.*
Brenda Cannon: *Annual 2, 3; Bible Club 3; Civinettes 1, 2, 3.; Executive Council 1, 2; Honor Society 2, 3; Who's Who 3; Exchange Student 2.*
John Carothers: *Band 1, 2; Wrestling 2, 3.*
Gary Carter: *Band 1, 2, 3.*
Steve Cassell: *Basketball 1, 2, 3; Cross Country 2; Executive Council 3.*
Senetra Chambers: *Homeroom Representative 1, 2, 3; Spirit Club 2.*
Terry Chambers: *DE 3.*



Mary Blue
John Bowman
Paul Bradley
Tony Bradley
Teresa Bradshaw

Senior music makers, artists add color to school



Janice Brady
Jeanette Branch
Joe Brown
Cindi Campbell
Brenda Cathey

Steve Brady
Pam Bridges
Pam Brown
Brenda Cannon
Ronald Caton

Marc Broome
Nelson Burden
John Carothers
Chris Chambers

Chris Broughton
Teresa Burns
Gary Carter
Senetra Chambers

Delaine Brown
Gwen Butler
Steven Cassell
Terry Chambers

Seniors help plan activities, serve as assistants

Seniors assisted in many activities and areas around the school. They helped Mrs. Mary Harris, Interclub Council adviser, and the junior members plan and carry out the halftime show during the homecoming game.

Other areas where they assisted included taking up attendance cards from the teachers during first period and helping prepare the absentee list. Others delivered the list during second-period class.

Several seniors assisted the secretaries in the main office, putting up mail; filing sign-in and sign-out cards and reports; running errands; being a jack-of-all trades; and helping wherever they were needed. One girl stated that she never realized how busy the main office was until she became an assistant. Others also helped in the guidance office.

Seniors as well as juniors, worked in the library. Here, they checked out and shelved books, collected fines, checked students in at the entrances and out at the exits. Several were trained to run the audio-visual equipment.

During lunch the upper classmen, aided by some juniors, served as hall monitors. Helping keep traffic in halls to a minimum where classes were being conducted, they inspected passes of students entering these areas.

Others made I.D.'s of incoming sophomores and of any student without a card.

Cindy Cook
Richard Cox

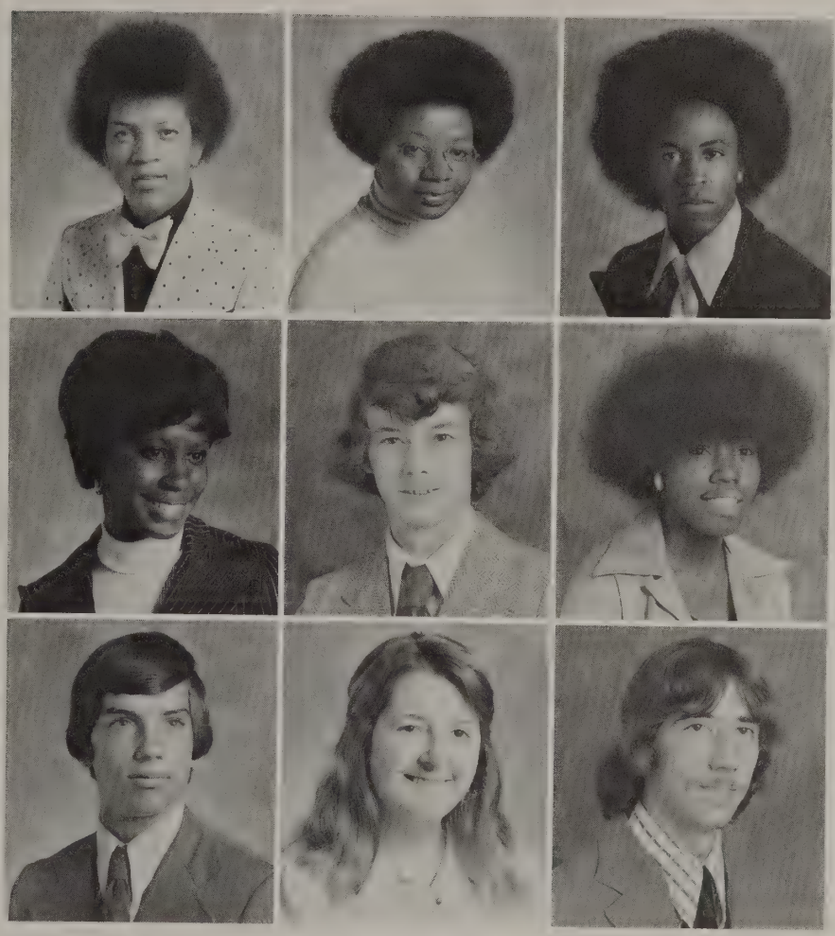
Cheryl Cooper
Linda Crawford

John Chapman
Danny Clouse
Lynn Coleman
Sherrie Cooper
Joe Crosby

Debbie Christianson
Lisa Cobb
Meranda Coletrane
Pam Covington
Dennie Crowder

Deloris Clark
William Coffey
Denise Connor
Kathy Coyle
Kim Crutchfield

John Chapman: *Art Club 3; Basketball 1, 2, 3; Football 1, 2, 3; Track 1, 3.*
Debbie Christianson: *Civinettes 1, 2, 3; CEO 3; Indianettes 2, 3; Spanish Club 1.*
Deloris Clark: *DE 2, 3.*
Danny Clouse: *Baseball 1, 2, 3; Football 1, 2, 3; Wrestling 1, 2, 3.*
Lisa Cobb: *Annual 2; Bible Club 2, 3; CEO 3; French Club 1, 2; Homeroom Representative 1.*
William Coffey: *Football 3; Wrestling 1, 3.*
Lynn Coleman: *Choir 1, 2, 3; Class Representative 1, 2; French Club 1, 2, 3; Girls' Track Team 1; Interclub Council 3; Library Club 3; Orchestra 1, 2, 3; Red Cross 3; Political Science Club 3; Westones 3; Who's Who 3.*
Meranda Coletrane: *ICT 2, 3; VICA Club 3.*
Cindy Cook: *School Spirit Committee 3.*
Cheryl Cooper: *Art Club 1; Bus Driver 1, 2.*
Sherrie Cooper: *DE 2, 3.*
Pam Covington: *Bus Driver 3; CEO 3; Homeroom Representative 1.*
Richard Cox: *Band 1, 2, 3; Football 1, 2, 3; Orchestra 3; Track 1.*
Kathy Coyle: *Business Staff 2, 3; CEO 3; DE 2; GAA 1, 2; Homeroom Representative 2; Red Cross 1; Spanish Club 1.*
Linda Crawford: *Art Club 1; Library Club 1, 2, 3.*
Joe Crosby: *Football 3.*
Dennie Crowder: *Art Club 1; Bible Club 3; Junior Decorating Committee 2.*
Kim Crutchfield: *Band 1; Orchestra 2, 3.*
Keith Curlee: *ROTC 1.*
Cedric Davis: *Band 1, 2, 3; Class Representative 2; Orchestra 1.*
Clinton Davis: *Art Club 3; Library Club 3.*
Michael Davis: *Art Club 2, 3.*
Regina Davis: *CEO 3; Red Cross 2, 3; SAE 2, 3; Spanish Club 2; Junior Achievement 1, 2, 3; HERO 3.*
Roger Davis: *Baseball 1; ICT 2, 3.*
John Day: *Bible Club 3; Cross Country 1, 2, 3; FCA 2, 3; Spanish Club 3; Track 1, 2, 3; Wrestling 2, 3.*
Nancy Dean: *DE 1, 2; Red Cross 1.*

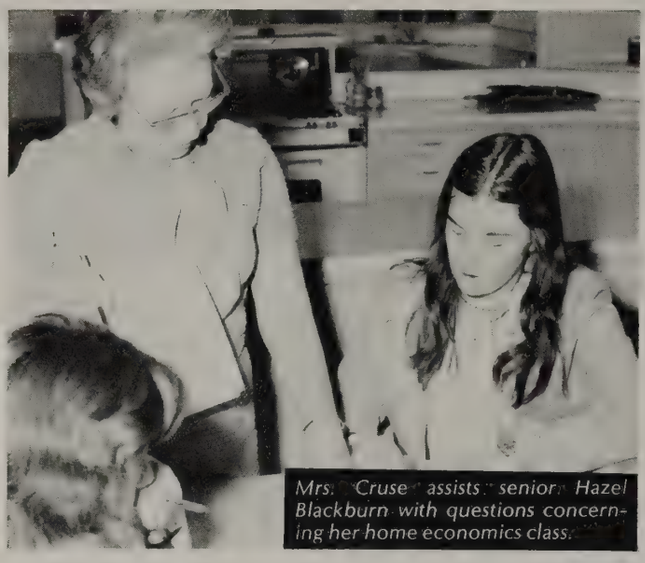


Cedric Davis *Karen Davis* *Michael Davis*
Regina Davis *Roger Davis* *Sharon Davis*
John Day *Nancy Dean* *Charles Dilling*

ABOVE: As Mrs. Harris and Danny Poole check homecoming sponsors, Paul Bradley gives instructions.

Home Ec courses teach students basic essentials

RIGHT: Albert Evans demonstrates how to fill a hot water bottle in his bachelor living class.



Mrs. Cruse assists senior Hazel Blackburn with questions concerning her home economics class.

Randy Dixon
Tina Dixon
Sam Donald
Sharon Donat

Julie Easterling
Alice Edwards
Barry Edwards
Mark Elliot

Lee Elmore
Barry England
Joyce Eppes
Alice Eudy

Eugene Dilling: *VICA 2, 3.*
Randy Dixon: *Bible Club 2; Football 1.*
Tina Dixon: *Civinettes 2, 3; CEO 3; Girls' State 2; Girls' Tennis Team 2; Homeroom Representative 1; Indianettes 3.*
Sam Donald: *Band 1, 2, 3; Bus Driver 2, 3; Homeroom Representative 2; Orchestra 3.*
Sharon Donat: *Chorus 1, 2; COO 2, 3.*
Jerome Easter: *Bus Driver 1, 2, 3; Football 3; Track 2.*
Julie Easterling: *French Club 1, 2, 3; Girls' Track Team 2; Honor Society 2, 3; Junior Marshal 2.*
Barry Edwards: *Boys' Tennis Team 1, 2, 3; Ski Club 2, 3.*
Mark Elliott: *ICT 2, 3.*
Lee Ann Elmore: *Bible Club 2; Civinettes 2, 3; COO 3; Honor Society 2, 3.*
Barry England: *Bus Driver 1, 2, 3.*
Joy Eppes: *Band 1, 2; Bible Club 1; Choir 2, 3; Orchestra 1, 2, 3; Westones 3.*
Alice Eudy: *DE 2, 3.*
Albert Evans: *Football 1, 2, 3.*
Phyllis Faust: *Indianettes 3; Spanish Club 3.*
Eric Fields: *Bus Driver 2, 3; VICA Club 2.*
Gregory Flax: *Art Club 3; Basketball 3; DE 2.*
Patti Fletcher: *COO 2; Drama Club 3; Girls' Track Team 1, 2.*
Sharron Ford: *CEO 3; Red Cross Club 3; HERO 3.*
Jeffrey Forrester: *Honor Society 2, 3; Interclub Council 3; Orchestra 1, 2, 3; Political Science Club 1, 2, 3.*
Charles M. Foxx III: *ICT 3.*
David French: *Bus Driver 3; Key Club 2, 3; Wrestling 1, 2, 3.*
Cindy Frick: *Bible Club 2, 3; Class Representative 1; CEO 3.*
Wesley Froneberger: *Chorus 2; Football 3; Track 1; Wrestling 2, 3.*
Freddie Fuller: *French Club 1; ICT 2; Spanish Club 2.*
Robin Fullerton: *Band 1, 2, 3.*

Rusty Ewald
Eric Fields
Sharron Ford
Gloria Frazier
Wesley Froneberger

Phyllis Faust
Greg Flax
Jeffrey Forrester
David French
Freddie Fuller

Jeff Featherstone
Patti Fletcher
Charles Foxx
Cindy Frick
Robin Fullerton

Field trips help broaden horizons, prove educational

Trips to places outside school proved educational and entertaining as seniors, as well as underclassmen, broadened their horizons. These excursions were an integral part of the learning process as teachers arranged trips to local businesses. Students looked forward to these trips to break the daily routine and to give them an opportunity to eat lunch at Shoney's or some other restaurant.

Several classes attended movies. These included the British literature classes as seniors traveled to the Tryon Mall Theatre to see Roman Polanski's production of **Macbeth,** *January 17. Culminating a study in modern world history, Miss Geovinna Yelton's students saw "The Odessa File" at Charlottetown Cinema.*

A trip to Collins Company and TRIM (Troyann Ross Institute of Modeling) under the supervision of Mrs. Linda Beatty and Mrs. Becky Clemmer was of decided interest to senior girls enrolled in fashion merchandising.

Supervised by Mrs. Lynn Baxter, students toured the Federal Reserve Bank; and housing students, Stratford House Furniture.

Kim Gray
Lee Grice

Evelyn Green
Josie Griffin

Gregg Furr
Donald Gill
Yolanda Glasson
Michael Gresham
Kathy Grigg

Robert Gathings
Geoffrey Gillespie
Randy Goodman
Debra Grier
Janet Gupton

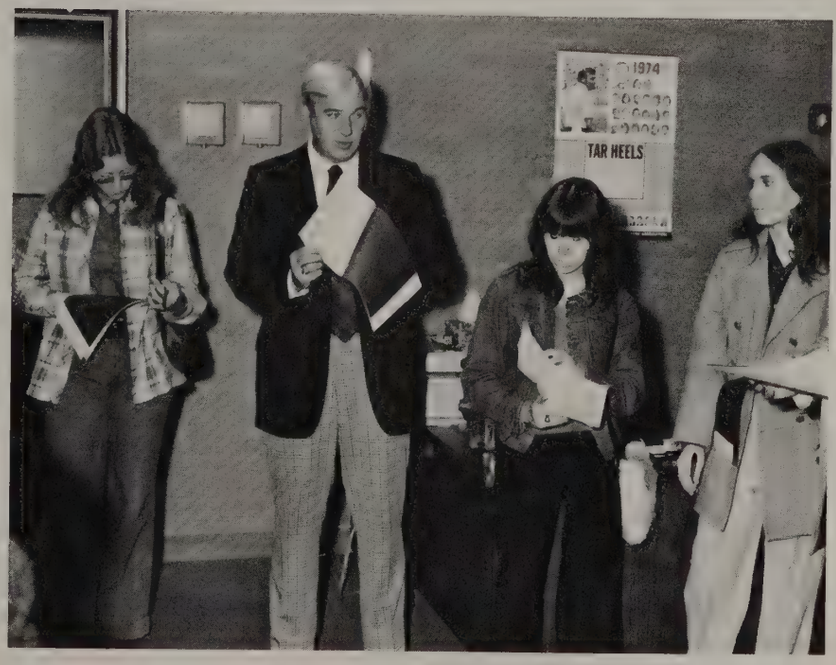
Patty Gayle
Jerry Gilson
Sammy Graham
Wagner Grier
Carol Guthrie

Thomas Gaines: *Bus Driver 2, 3.*
Robert Gathings: *Bible Club 2, 3; French Club 2; Key Club 3.*
Tom Garrison: *ICT 3.*
Patty Gayle: *Bible Club 2, 3; Girls' State 2.*
Donald Gill: *Bus Driver 1; ICT 1; ROTC 1, 2, 3.*
Geoffrey Gillespie: *Art Club 3; Band 1, 2, 3.*
Yolanda Glasson: *French Club 2, 3.*
Roger Glover: *ROTC 1, 2, 3.*
Randy Goodman: *Art Club 2, 3.*
Evelyn Green: *Committee Chairman 2; COO 2, 3; Interclub Council 2; Spanish Club 1.*
Michael Gresham: *Basketball 1; Football 1, 2, 3; FFA 3; Library Club 3.*
Lee Grice: *Tennis 1, 2, 3.*
Debra Grier: *Civinettes 3.*
Wagner Grier: *Bus Driver 2; VICA 2.*
Jo Griffin: *COO 2, 3.*
Kathy Grigg: *Chorus 1, 2; CEO 3; Drama Club 2, 3; French Club 2.*
Janet Gupton: *Annual 2, 3; GAA 1; Honor Society 2, 3; Interclub Council 3; Spanish Club 2, 3; Baseball Scorekeeper 2, 3; Wrestling Scorekeeper 3; Jr. Marshal 2.*
Carol Guthrie: *Carrousel Princess 3; Committee Chairman 2; DE 2, 3; Flag Girl 2, 3; Interclub Council 2; Red Cross 1, 2, 3.*
Vickie Guy: *French Club 1; Spirit Committee 2.*
Lou Ann Hager: *Annual 2, 3; Bible Club 2; French Club 1, 2; Spirit Committee 1.*
Neal Hager: *VICA 2.*
Molly Hall: *Choir 1, 2, 3; Interclub Council 3; Majorettes 2, 3; Spanish Club 1, 2; Westones 3.*
Barbara Harkey: *CEO 3; Red Cross 1.*

Vickie Guy
Thomas Haines
George Ham

Lou Ann Hager
Gary Hall
Bonita Hargett

Neal Hager
Molly Hall
Barbara Harkey



ABOVE: Members of the fashion merchandising class talk with Mr. Sewell at the Collins Company.

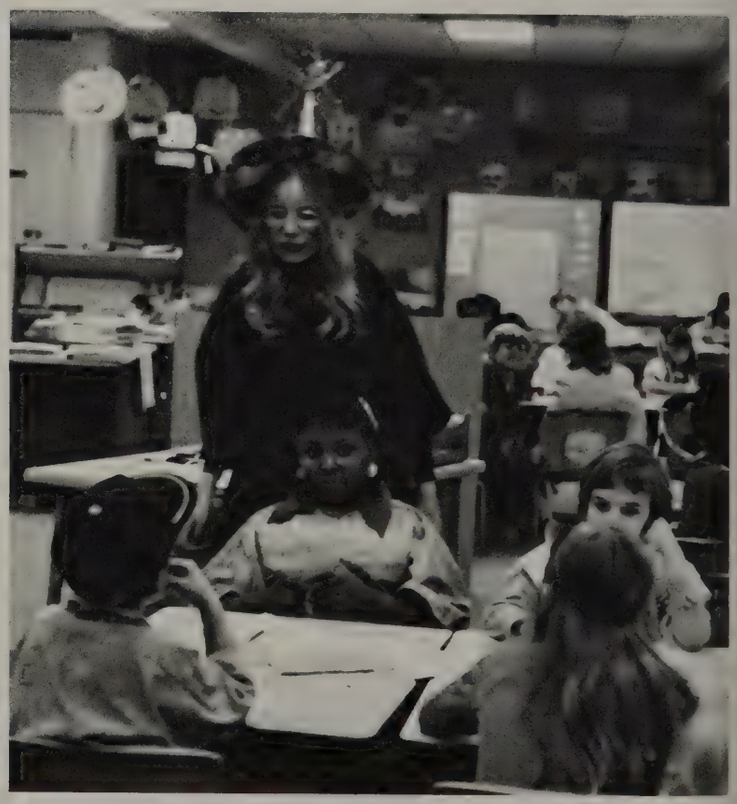
Seniors aid teachers, pupils at elementary schools

Seniors enrolled in the CEO program assisted teachers at three elementary schools: Tuckaseegee, Pawtuckett, and Thomasboro. Here, they worked with students two hours daily in learning labs and assisted those who needed individual tutoring in math and reading. Others in the program helped in the library. As a part of the seniors' activities, they kept the bulletin boards changed and aided the teachers in any way needed. At Halloween the seniors planned a party for the students at Tuckaseegee. They decorated the rooms, dressed up in costumes, and entertained the youngsters by telling ghost stories and playing games. On February 13, Jerry Gilsen brought a group of sixth graders to tour the campus and to see high school students at work.

RIGHT: Sylvia McGill helps a student with his reading as she watches her class at Tuckaseegee.

Steve Harkey
Peggy Harrington

Ronald Harpe
Kathy Hart



ABOVE: Dressed for Halloween Terri Roberts entertains her students by telling ghost stories.

Ronald Hartis
Antoinette Heath
Robin Hester
Aaron Hicklen
Yvonne Hilton

Teresa Hasty
Rosina Helms
Terry Hester
Willis Hill
Benjie Holder

Darrell Hatley
Ron Henderson
Marsha Hestikind
Tommy Hilton
Ricky Holland

Peggy Harrington: *Civinettes 1, 2, 3; GAA 1; Girls Volleyball 1, 3; Honor Society 2, 3; Political Science Club 3; Science Club 3; Spanish Club 1.*

Kathy Hart: *Bow and Arrow 2, 3; Class Representative 2; French Club 1, 2, 3; Girls Volleyball 3; Homeroom Representative 2; Honor Society 2, 3; Interclub Council 3; Science Club 3.*

Ronald Hartis: *Bus Driver 2, 3; ICT 2; ROTC 1.*

Teresa Hasty: *Cheerleader 1, 2; Girls Tennis 3; Homeroom Representative 2; Spanish Club 1; Spirit Club 1, 2.*

Darrell Hatley: *Band 1, 2, 3; Orchestra 3.*

Antoinette Heath: *Band 1, 2, 3; French Club 2.*

Rosina Helms: *Bible Club 1, 3; DE 3; Drama Club 3; FHA 3; Girls Volleyball 1; Red Cross 1, 3.*

Robin Hester: *COO 2, 3; Girls Volleyball 1.*

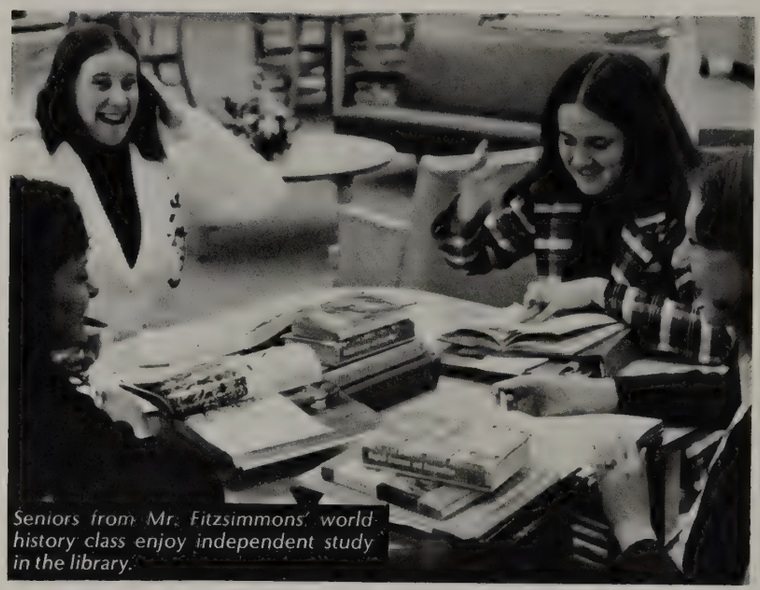
Aaron Hicklen: *DE 2; ICT 3; VICA Club 3.*

Willis Hill: *Band 1; ICT 2, 3; VICA Club 2, 3.*

Tommy Hilton: *Spanish Club 1.*

Rebecca Hipp: *CEO 3; FHA 3.*

Ricky Holland: *Band 1, 2, 3; Bus Driver 1, 2, 3; Spanish Club 1, 2; Wrestling 1.*



Seniors from Mr. Fitzsimmons' world history class enjoy independent study in the library.

Chandra Hopkins
Michael Howze
Garry Hull

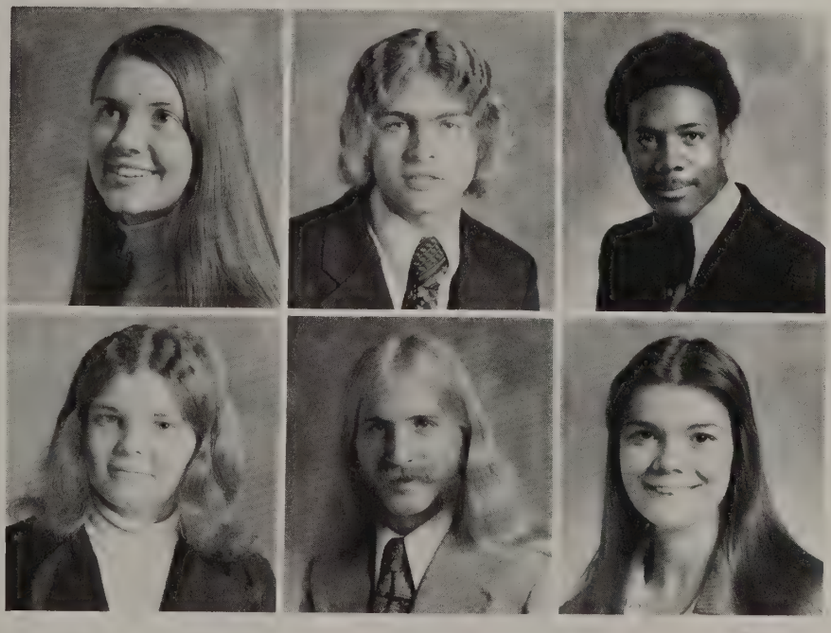
Sandi Hopkins
Keith Hudson
Gary Hunsucker

Barry Holthouser
Bill Hoover
Sheryl Horn
Jerry Huffman
Rhona Hunsucker

Cheryl Homzak
Norma Hope
Eddie Houston
Monte Huffstetler
Phyllis Hunter

Barry Holthouser: *Band 1, 2, 3.*
Cheryl Homzak: *GAA 1; Girls' Tennis 2, 3; Girls' Track 2, 3; Girls' Volleyball 1, 3; Honor Society 2, 3; Science Club 3; Ski Club 2, 3.*
Bill Hoover: *Baseball 1, 2, 3; FCA 2, 3; Football 3.*
Norma Hope: *COO 2, 3; French Club 1; Girls Tennis 2; Girls Track 2, 3; Orchestra 1, 2.*
Sandi Hopkins: *Bible Club 2, 3; Spanish Club 1; Campus Life 1, 2, 3.*
Eddie Houston: *Art Club 1; Football 1; Track 2.*
Michael Howze: *Bus Driver 2, 3; Spanish Club 1, 2.*
Keith Hudson: *Baseball 1, 2, 3; Football 1, 3; Wrestling 2.*
Michael Huffman: *Football 1.*
Monte Huffstetler: *Art Club 2, 3; Golf 1, 2, 3; Key Club 3.*
Garry Hull: *Band 1, 2, 3; Bow and Arrow 2, 3.*
Rhona Hunsucker: *COO 3; Spanish Club 1.*
Phyllis Hunter: *CEO 3; FHA 2.*
Dewayne Huntley: *Bus Driver 2, 3; Track 2.*
Lynn Ivey: *Art Club 3; Bus Driver 3.*
Richard Jackson: *DE 2, 3.*
Linda Jenkins: *Bus Driver 3; Orchestra 1, 2, 3; Red Cross 1, 2, 3; ROTC 1, 2, 3.*
Paul Jernigan: *Orchestra 1, 2, 3; Activities Committee 2; Human Relations Committee 2.*

BELOW: Libby Joy and Cheryl Cooper aid Don Robinson, preparing for his part in a pep rally.



Debbie Irvin
Linda Jenkins

David Jackson
Paul Jernigan

Richard Jackson
Debbie Johnson

Parking lot resembles Charlotte Motor Speedway

Officially it is called the student parking lot, but for those departing each afternoon at 2:10, it is more like Charlotte Motor Speedway. When the final bell rings, those who drive, as well as those who ride the buses, make a mad dash for the parking lot. Woe be unto any unsuspecting visitors or teachers who get in the way. They are likely to be caught up in the onslaught and carried away.

As soon as drivers and riders reach the cars or buses, the race is on to see who will leave the lot first. Cars and buses line up, one behind the other so the drivers can get out on Tuckaseegee Road to "hurry on down to Hardee's" or other destinations. All the lot needs to look like the speedway is a man with a checkered flag and an announcer to signal "Gentlemen, start your engines."

To have the privilege of parking in "Frustration Circle," students must purchase a permit proudly displaying an Indian driving a jalopy. Without these posted on the front bumper, students cannot park their cars in the lot. It is not uncommon to hear announcements during the day, "The owner of a light blue '73 Mustang should report to the office."

TOP RIGHT: Hurrying to be first ones out of the parking lot, students rush to cars and buses.

ABOVE: Cars parked in "Frustration Circle" must be registered at the office and display permits.

Garfield Johnson
Greg Jones

Robbie Jones
Jeannie Jones

Felton Jones
Elizabeth Joy

Bruce Justice
June Keistler
Clara Kennedy
Charles King
Debbie Kirby

Kim Keener
Ken Kegerreis
Robbin Kilgore
Michael King
Gerald Kirkpatrick

David Keever
Rhonda Kelley
Roland Killman
Carolyn Kirby
Cindy Kiser

Garfield Johnson: *ICT 1.*
Felton Jones: *Art Club 2; Track 2.*
Libby Joy: *Art Club 3; Choir 2, 3; Chorus 1; Red Cross 1; Westones 2; Campus Life 1, 2, 3.*
Bruce Justice: *Homeroom Representative 2; Wrestling 1, 2, 3; Tennis 2, 3.*
Ken Kegerreis: *Bus Driver 3.*
June Keistler: *CEO 3; COO 2; School Spirit Committee 3.*
Rhonda Kelley: *Bow and Arrow 2; Class Representative 1, 2; CEO 3; Homeroom Representative 2; Project Aries 2; Spanish Club 1.*
Clara Kennedy: *Chorus 1, 2; Class Representative 1; ICT 2.*
Robbin Kilgore: *Business Staff 3; Choir 2; French Club 1; GAA 1; Westones 3; School Spirit Committee 2.*
Roland Killman: *Baseball 1, 2, 3.*
Charles King: *Bus Driver 1, 2, 3.*
Michael King: *Annual 2, 3; Baseball 1, 2, 3; Basketball 1; CEO 3; FCA 2, 3; Football 1, 2, 3; Homeroom Representative 1, 2; Key Club 2, 3; Spanish Club 2.*
Carolyn Kirby: *Spanish Club 1.*
Debbie Kirby: *Spanish Club 2.*

School Spirit Committee arouses interest with signs

RIGHT: School Spirit member Cindy Cook assists in drawing signs during football season.

Westones Yvonne Williams and Robbin Kilgore harmonize in the performance at Festival in the Park.

Debbie Kiser
Phil Kiser
Tim Kistler
Larry Kitchen

Rhonda Klein
Angela Knotts
Klaus Kristensen
David Little

Jerry Mathews
Willie Mathews
Dee Dee Maxwell
Marilyn Maxwell

Debbie Kiser: *FHA 2; Girls' Tennis 3; School Spirit Committee 2, 3.*
Robert Kiser: *Camera Club 3; Interclub Council 2; Library Club 1, 2, 3; Science Club 1, 2, 3; Spanish Club 2; VICA Club 2, 3.*
Larry Kitchen: *ICT 2, 3; Project Aries 2; Spanish Club 1.*
Rhonda Klein: *Cheerleader 3; Class Representative 1, 2; CEO 3; Homecoming Court 3; Homeroom Representative 1, 2; Spanish Club 1.*
Angela Knotts: *Drama Club 3.*
Nancy Lagatore: *COO 3; French Club 2; SAE 2, 3.*
Charlotte Lawing: *COO 2.*
Barbara Leatherman: *Girls Tennis 3; Girls Track 1; Girls Volleyball 1; Honor Society 2, 3; Science Club 3.*
Joyce Ledbetter: *Band 1, 2, 3; French Club 2, 3; Westones 3.*
Ray Lewis: *Choir 1, 2, 3; Chorus 3; FCA 3.*
Toni Ligon: *DE 3.*
Leslie Linker: *Class Representative 3; CEO 3; Flag Girl 3; FHA 3; Homeroom Representative 2.*
Janet Little: *French Club 1; FHA 1; GAA 1; Homeroom Representative 2.*
Carole Livingston: *Art Club 3.*
Regina Lowery: *Annual 3; French Club 3; Homeroom Representative 1, 2; Red Cross 1; WSOC Scholar of the Month 3.*
Flick Marks: *Homeroom Representative 3; ROTC 1, 2, 3; Science Club 1, 2.*
Tyrone Massey: *Basketball 3; French Club 1, 3.*

Nancy Lagatore
Charlotte Lawing
Gina Lemonds
Leslie Linker
Regina Lowery

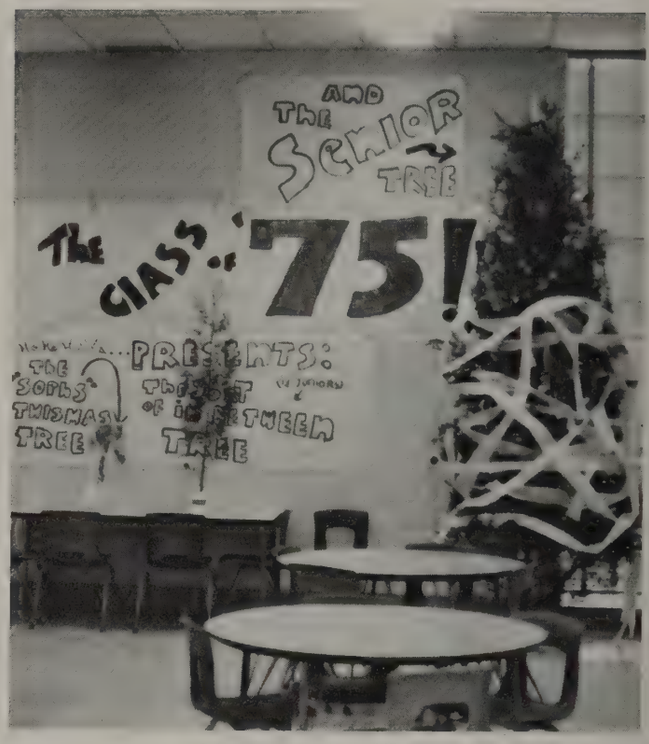
Jeff Lanier
Barbara Leatherman
Ray Lewis
Janet Little
Flick Marks

Carl Lawing
Joyce Ledbetter
Toni Ligon
Carole Livingston
Tyrone Massey

Seniors decorate trees; season competition ends

Members of the Senior Class who brought Christmas ornaments were dismissed from their first-period classes, December 13. They reported to the cafeteria to decorate the traditional senior Christmas tree. After placing their ornaments on the tree, the seniors decorated trees for the underclassmen.

Apathy struck again as another tradition ended. Omitted from the seasonal activity was the traditional door decorating contest sponsored by the Student Council. Consequently, many doors remained bare. A few students with the Christmas spirit helped decorate bulletin boards in the main hall and in the guidance office. Some clubs refused to give in to the "doldrums" and sponsored drives for canned goods to be delivered to a needy family and visited area rest homes to sing carols.



RIGHT: The senior and sophomore Christmas trees show evidence of the "yard-rolling" craze.

Cathy McCall
Nathaniel McGowan, Jr.
Connie Messer

Thomas McClain
Cathy McKeen
Susan Metcalf

Kevin McCorkle
Anja McMoore
Eliza Mickle

Ramona McGee
Cynthia McMurray
Carol Miles

Sylvia McGill
Danny McRorie
Leslie Mock

Marty Moore
Frank Mullis
Tennie Olson
Tim Owens
Patsy Parker

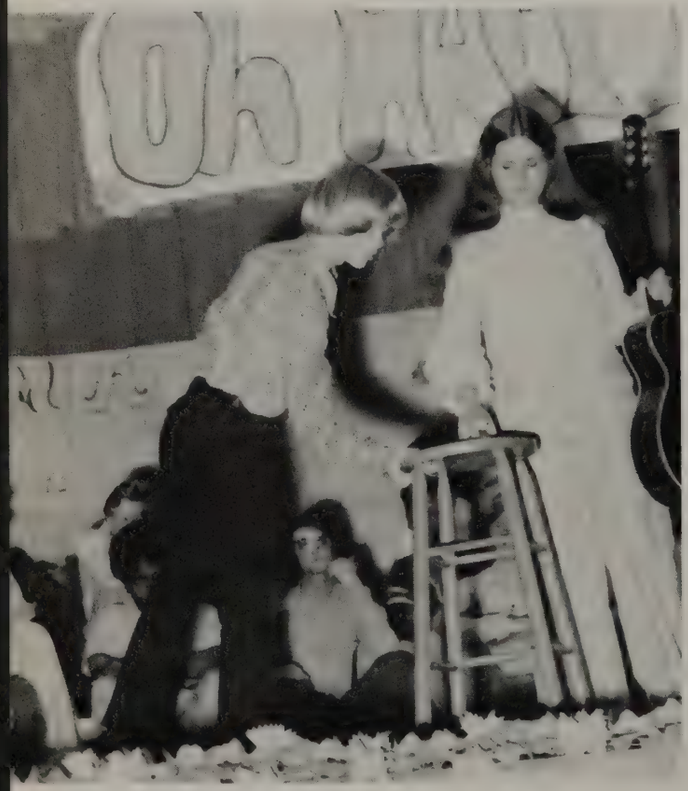
David Mozeley
Anthony Mungo
Douglas Orr
Belinda Painter
Tammy Parker

Brent Mullen
Debra Olivares
Laurea O'Shields
Anthony Parker
Wesley Parker

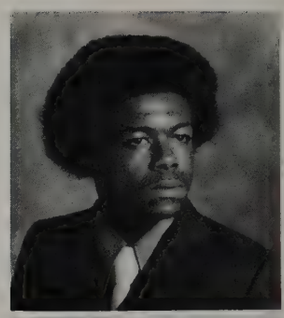
Cathy McCall: *Cheerleader 3; CEO 3; Homecoming Court 3; Homeroom Representative 1, 2; Spanish Club 1.*
Michael McCauley: *Chorus 1, 2, 3.*
Muriel McCauley: *Chorus 1, 2, 3.*
Thomas McClain: *Bow and Arrow 3; Football 1, 2, 3; Wrestling 1.*
Kevin McCorkle: *Homeroom Representative 2; VICA Club 3.*
Ramona McGee: *Red Cross 1, 2.*
Sylvia McGill: *CEO 3; Homeroom Representative 1, 2; Orchestra 1, 2, 3; Red Cross 1, 2.*
Nathaniel McGowan, Jr.: *Football 1, 3.*
Cathy McKeen: *Civinettes 3; Indianettes 3; Spanish Club 2.*
Anja McMoore: *Cheerleader 2, 3; DE 3.*
Cynthia McMurray: *Cheerleader 3; Class Representative 1, 3; DE 2; Drama Club 2; GAA 1; Girls Track 1; Girls Volleyball 1; Homecoming Court 3; Homeroom Representative 2.*
Danny McRorie: *Camera Club 3; VICA Club 2, 3.*
Connie Messer: *ICT 2, 3; VICA Club 2, 3.*
Eliza Mickle: *DE 2.*
Denise Miles: *DE 2, 3.*
Leslie Mock: *CEO 3; Student Elections Committee 3.*
Marty Moore: *Football 1; ICT 3; VICA Club 3.*
David Mozeley: *Football 3; Homeroom Representative 1; ICT 1.*
Frank Mullis: *Honor Society 2, 3; VICA Club 2, 3.*
Anthony Mungo: *Basketball 1, 3; HERO 3.*
Chris Nance: *Football 1; Wrestling 1, 2.*
Laurea O'Shields: *Annual 2, 3; Art Club 3; Drama Club 3; French Club 1, 2, 3; GAA 1, 2, 3; Girls Track 2; Homeroom Representative 1, 2; Red Cross 1, 2.*
Belinda Painter: *Business Staff 1, 2, 3; School Spirit Committee 2.*
Anthony Parker: *Basketball 2, 3; Cross Country 1; Track 3.*
Patsy Parker: *Cheerleader 1, 3; Chorus 1, 2, 3; DE 3; Homeroom Representative 1.*
Tammy Parker: *Homeroom Representative 1; Human Relations Committee 2; Campus Life 1.*
Wesley Parker: *Drama Club 2, 3.*

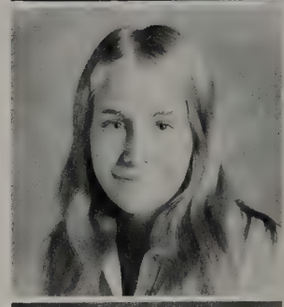
BELOW: Teresa Hasty looks enthusiastically while helping prepare for the Junior-Senior prom.

BELOW: During the program 'Oh Happy Day,' Ray Lewis assists Beth Rose in preparing for her solo.



Richard Patterson: *Bus Driver 2, 3.*
Melissa Paul: *Spanish Club 1.*
Ivan Pharr: *Art Club 3.*
Jimmy Pinkston: *Band 1; Business Staff 2, 3; Football 1; Honor Society 2, 3; Key Club 2, 3; Orchestra 2; Political Science Club 2, 3; Project Aries 2, 3; Science Club 2, 3; Wrestling 1; Harvard Book Award 2.*
Michael Pompey: *Basketball 1, 2, 3; Football 1, 2, 3; Track 1.*
Danny Poole: *Baseball 1, 2, 3; FCA 2, 3; Football 1, 2, 3; Golf 2, 3; Interclub Council 3.*
Gary Pope: *Band 1, 2, 3; Bow and Arrow 2, 3; Drama Club 2.*
David Preslar: *VICA Club 2, 3.*
Tom Query: *Annual 2, 3; Bible Club 2, 3; Camera Club 3; Class Representative 3; Drama Club 2, 3; Interclub Council 3; ROTC 1, 2; Campus Life 2, 3; West Fellowship 2, 3.*
Tina Raborn: *Class Representative 2; Drama Club 2, 3.*
Cathy Ramsaur: *Bible Club 2, 3; Business Staff 2, 3; Class Representative 2; Honor Society 2, 3; Interclub Council 2, 3; SAE 2, 3; Spanish Club 2; Campus Life 1, 2, 3.*
Karen Reid: *Class Representative 1; FHA 1, 2; ICT 1, 2, 3; Red Cross 1, 2, 3.*
Marcy Richardson: *COO 3; Majorettes 1, 2, 3.*
Valerie Richardson: *Band 1, 2; Flag Girl 3; FHA 3; Girls' Track 3.*
Mike Riley: *Bus Driver 1, 2, 3; ICT 2, 3; ROTC 1, 2, 3; VICA Club 2, 3.*
Terri Roberts: *CEO 3; Drama Club 2, 3; Interclub Council 3; Red Cross 3; ROTC 1, 2, 3; SAE 2, 3.*
Theresa Roberts: *DE 3.*
George Robinson: *Boys' State 2; Choir 2, 3; Chorus 1.*





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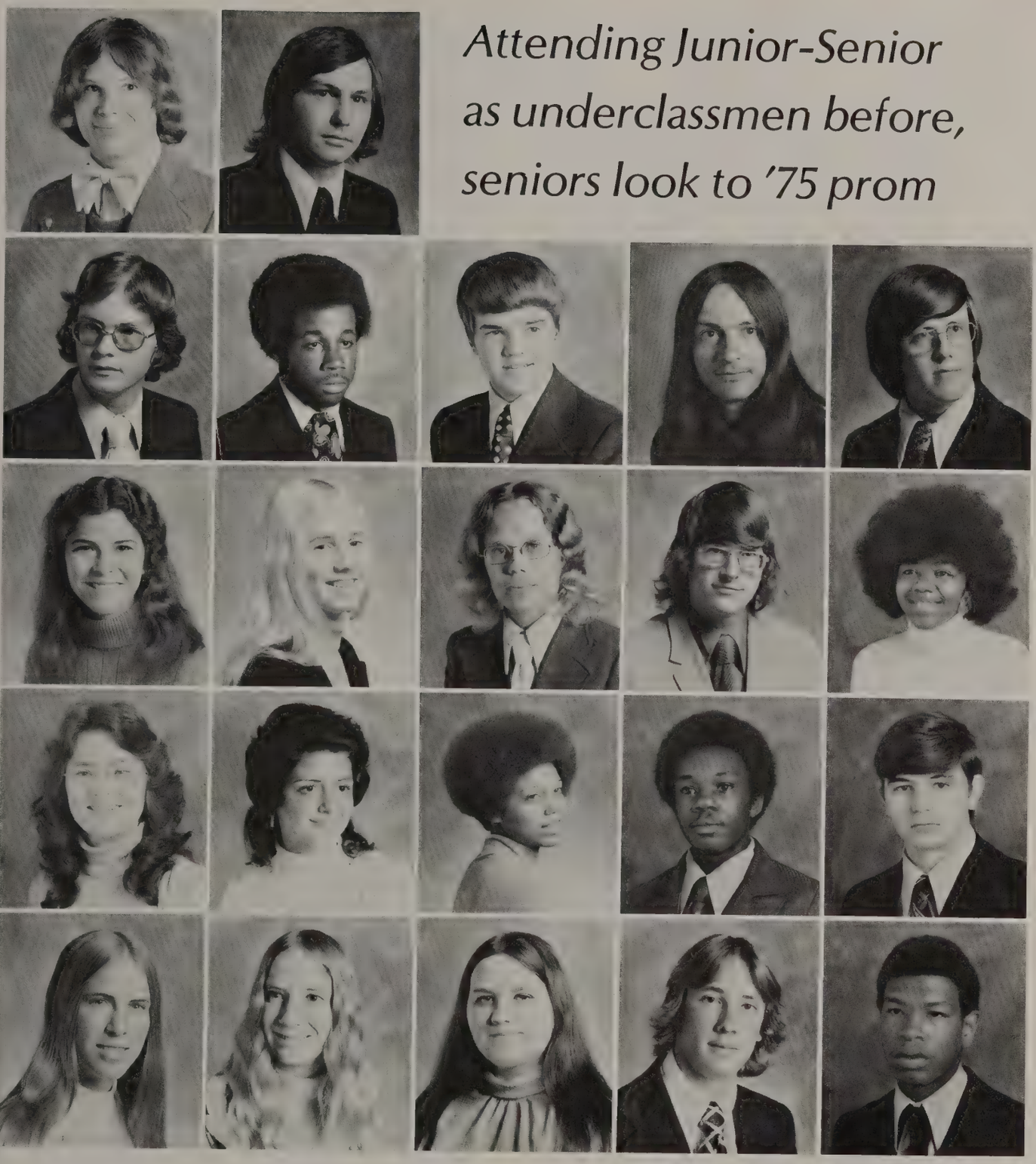


Attending Junior-Senior as underclassmen before, seniors look to '75 prom

James Pinkston
Gary Pope
Tina Raborn
Mary Reid
Constance Rhodes

Joe Plummer
Michael Pompey
Cathy Ramsaur
Marcy Richardson
Terri Roberts

Danny Poole
Mark Randall
Valerie Richardson
Theresa Roberts

David Preslar
Joe Reames
Keith Richmond
Don Robinson

Tom Query
Karen Reid
Mike Riley
George Robinson

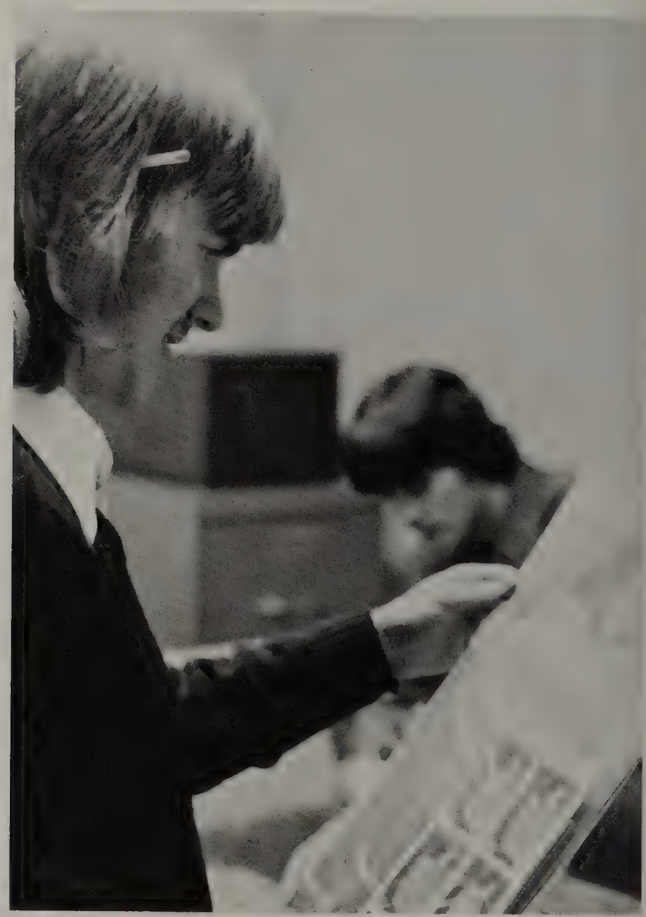
Arrival of portraits creates flurry of excitement

Willie Robinson
Timothy Rogers
Gregory Sadler
Deloris Sanders
Brad Sawyer

Rosalind Roddey
Beth Rose
Belle Anita Sanders
Denise Sanford
Ken Scott

The arrival of senior pictures on November 8 caused a flurry of excitement among the upperclassmen. This, according to tradition, helped them to realize their last year in high school was well under way. After picking up their portraits in the health room, seniors stopped each other in the halls and asked to see the pictures. In the cafeteria and in study halls, seniors were busy making exchanges. During the changing of classes the comments between seniors in the halls consisted of "Hey, you got your pictures; save one for me!" and "Don't ask to see my pictures; they're AW-FUL!"

Other seniors who did not report for a sitting during August and who had done so after school started had to wait until December for their pictures. However, all the orders had been delivered before the Christmas holidays in time for seniors to give the portraits as presents to parents, grandparents, or members of the opposite sex.



ABOVE: After purchasing his portraits, Robbie Gathings looks to see if the camera flattered him.

Janet Seagle
Robin Shaw
Vontina Simmons
Elizabeth Sloan
Lisa Smith

Billy Seagroves
Mark Sherer
Pamela Simons
Charlie Smith
Ronnie Smith

James Serafini
Janet Sifford
Robin Sites
Don Smith
Toni Smith

Willie Robinson: *Basketball 1, 2, 3; Bible Club 1; Cross Country 1.*
Rosalind Roddey: *Choir 2, 3; Chorus 1; Spanish Club 1.*
Beth Rose: *Bible Club 1, 2; Choir 1, 2; Civinettes 3; Honor Society 2, 3; Interclub Council 2; Spanish Club 1, 2; Westones 3; Junior Marshal 2.*
Belle Anita Sanders: *Band 1, 2, 3; French Club 1; Homeroom Representative 1, 2; Orchestra 1.*
Denise Sanford: *Choir 2, 3; Chorus 1; CEO 3; Spanish Club 1; Westones 2.*
Brad Sawyer: *ICT 2, 3; VICA Club 3.*
Ken Scott: *FCA 2, 3; Tennis 1, 2, 3.*
Janet Seagle: *COO 2, 3.*
Mark Sherer: *Bus Driver 2, 3.*
Pamela Simons: *Business Staff 3; Chorus 1; Civinettes 1, 2, 3; Drama Club 3; French Club 2; FHA 2; GAA 1; Red Cross 1, 2; Spanish Club 1.*
Robin Sites: *Band 1.*
Elizabeth Sloan: *Flag Girl 3; Homeroom Representative 1, 2, 3.*
Charlie Smith: *Bus Driver 2, 3; Executive Council 3; Interclub Council 3.*
Don Smith: *Baseball 1, 2, 3; Basketball 1, 3.*
Lisa Smith: *Girls Track 1, 2, 3; Girls Volleyball 1, 3.*
Ronnie Smith: *Band 1, 2, 3; Bus Driver 1.*
Toni Smith: *Band 1, 2, 3; Honor Society 2, 3; Interclub Council 2, 3; Spanish Club 3; Political Science 1, 2, 3; SAE 2, 3.*
Dexter Snead: *Bus Driver 3.*

Students' needs aided by changes in media center

Andre Springs
David Stikeleather
Danny Tackett
Laura Thomas
Craig Todd

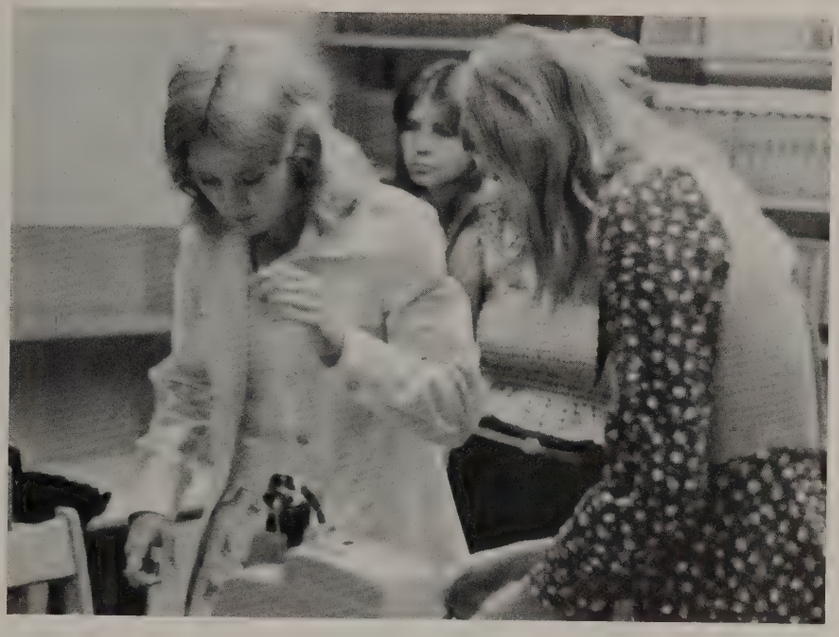
Stan Springs
John Strawser
Ricky Tamson
Pam Thompson
Mark Todd

Michael Sprinkle
Linda Street
Susan Taylor
Debbi Thornburg
Shirley Townsend

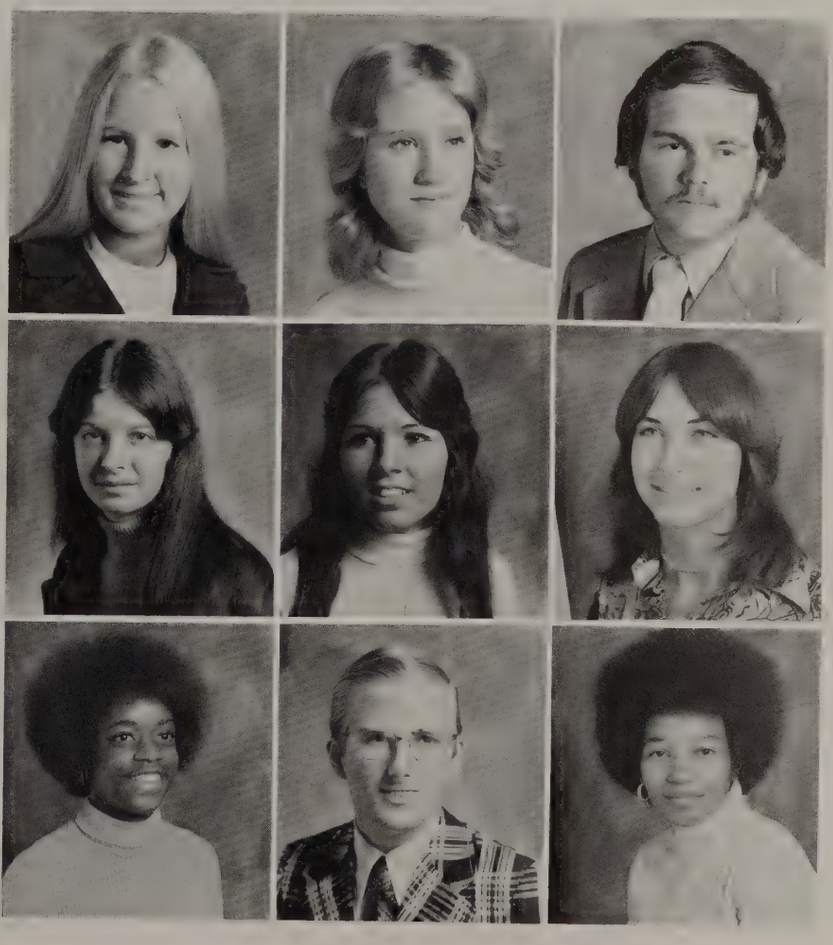
Jaydena Staley
Terry Sult
William Taylor
Doris Threatt
Carol Troutman

Cynthia Starr
Angela Sumpter
Robin Tench
Joyce Threatt
Trena Turner

AndreSprings: *Basketball 1; Bus Driver 3; Golf 1, 2, 3.*
Kevin Staley: *Baseball 1, 2, 3; Basketball 1, 2, 3; Football 1, 2, 3.*
Jaydena Staley: *Art Club 2; Junior Achievement 3.*
Cynthia Starr: *Chorus 2; Homeroom Representative 1.*
David Stikeleather: *Cross Country 1, 2, 3; DE 2, 3; FCA 2, 3; Track 1, 2; Wrestling 1.*
John Strawser: *Band 1, 2, 3; Library Club 2, 3.*
Gregory Stitt: *Wrestling 1.*
Barry Sullivan: *Baseball 1, 2, 3; CEO 3; FCA 3; Football 1, 2, 3.*
Terry Sult: *Bus Driver 2, 3.*
Angela Sumpter: *CEO 3; Indianettes 2; Orchestra 1, 2, 3.*
Deborah Swatzer: *Bible Club 3; Chorus 2.*
Danny Tackett: *Choir 2; DE 3.*
Ricky Tamson: *Baseball 1, 2, 3; Bible Club 2.*
Robin Tench: *Baseball 1, 2, 3; Bible Club 3; FCA 2, 3; Football 1, 2, 3.*
Laura Thomas: *Girls' Tennis 2, 3.*
Pam Thompson: *Bible Club 3; Girls' Tennis 2; Girls' Track 1.*
Gary Thompson: *Basketball 1.*
Doris Threatt: *GAA 1; Girls Track 1; Indianettes 2.*
Craig Todd: *Bible Club 1, 2, 3; FCA 2, 3; Football 1, 2, 3; Homeroom Representative 2; Key Club 2, 3; Spanish Club 3; Tennis 3.*
Shirley Townsend: *DE 3.*
Carol Troutman: *Choir 2, 3; Chorus 1; French Club 1; Project Aries 3; SAE 1; Westones 2, 3; Human Relations Committee 1; Who's Who 3.*
Dana Turpin: *Civinettes 2, 3; Class Representative 2; Homecoming Queen 3; Honor Society 2, 3; Interclub Council 3.*
Brenda Tyler: *Library Club 1, 2.*
Cindy Underwood: *Choir 3; Chorus 1, 2; DE 2; Westones 3.*
Stan Usher: *VICA Club 2.*
Paula Walker: *COO 3; French Club 1; Red Cross 1.*
Davis Wallace: *Bus Driver 2, 3; Homeroom Representative 1, 2; Red Cross 2.*



ABOVE: Brenda Tyler and Kathy Coyle learn the operations of a film projector in the media center.



Dana Turpin
Cindy Underwood
Shirley Wallace

Brenda Tyler
Leslie Waldrop
Paul Ware

Mike Tyson
Paula Walker
Azas Watson

Senior varsity members honored during pep rally

Lavon Welch: *French Club 1; GAA 1; Girls Track 1; Indianettes 3.*
Terry Wentzel: *Baseball 1, 2, 3; Bible Club 3; FCA 2, 3; Football 2, 3; Spanish Club 1.*
Lynette West: *Bus Driver 3; Red Cross 1; Spanish Club 2.*
Teresa Westbrook: *Business Staff 3; Spanish Club 1.*
Sharon Whilden: *Bible Club 2; Girls Volleyball 3; Honor Society 2, 3; Red Cross 1; SAE 3; Spanish Club 2.*
Dale Wike: *Football 3.*
Annie Williams: *DE 2; French Club 1; Girls Track 1; Red Cross 1.*
James Williams: *Bus Driver 2, 3; ROTC 1.*
Yvonne Williams: *Bible Club 2, 3; Choir 2, 3; Chorus 1; Project Aries 3; SAE 2, 3; Westones 3; Junior Decorating Committee 2.*
Scottie Wilson: *Bus Driver 3; Track 1.*
Geoffrey Withers: *Choir 1, 2, 3; Class Representative 1; Interclub Council 2; Political Science Club 2, 3.*
Reginald Withers: *Football 1, 2, 3.*
Teresa Woodle: *Red Cross 1.*
Brad Wright: *FCA 2, 3; ICT 2, 3.*
Dale Wright: *Band 1, 2; Bow and Arrow 2, 3; Bus Driver 2, 3; French Club 1.*
Vicki Wright: *COO 3.*
Michelle Yancey: *Band 1, 2, 3.*

Senior members of the football team were recognized at the pep rally held on October 31 for the homecoming game. Each player was asked to give his definition of "Love Is . . ." to help carry out the theme of half-time activities for the game. Girls on the School Spirit Committee read these definitions out at the pep rally. Terry Wentzel "broke up" the crowd with his definition: "Love Is . . . Mrs. Atnip being sick and being absent from school for a week."

The senior varsity members selected girls as their sponsors to be escorted onto the field and recognized at the halftime activities. The girls wore the players' game jerseys to school on Thursday since school was not in session the day of the game. Parents of the senior players, as well as wives of the coaches, were issued special invitations to the game.

In addition to these honors, the players had a special table set aside in the cafeteria for their lunch. Varsity and Jayvee cheerleaders sold pom poms for students to use in the cheering section the night of the game.

Jimmy Watts
Lavon Welch
Lynette West

Linda Weaver
Terry Wentzel
Teresa Westbrook

Sharon Whilden
Dale Wike
Yvonne Williams
Brad Wright
Barry Youngblood

Bonnie White
Annie Williams
Geoffrey Withers
Dale Wright
Jesse Younge

David Whitesides
James Williams
Reginald Withers
Vicki Wright

David Wiggins
Janet Williams
Teresa Woodle
Michelle Yancey

ABOVE LEFT: Varsity cheerleaders encourage the student body to "come alive" at a pep rally.

LEFT: Seniors James Williams and Dale Wike prepare to take their seat at the homecoming pep rally.

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During the last month of summer vacation, the business staff began selling advertisements for the financing of the TOMAHAWK. Twenty members scouted areas of Charlotte, seeking financial support from local companies and patrons.
Once school opened, September 11 and 19 were designated as selling days. Working in groups of twos and threes, staff members left school seeking buyers. The next three months were spent visiting and revisiting prospective

advertising

the new reality

buyers to draw a suitable layout for each. Completed contracts and collected monies were then submitted to Mrs. Peggy McCarter, business adviser.

Because of the present economic situation, many businesses were hesitant in placing ads in school yearbooks. Many merchants who did purchase advertisements purchased smaller ones than in previous years, forcing the TOMAHAWK staff to curtail many innovations planned for the 1975 yearbook.

among change

Redmen Danny Clouse, Mike Gresham, elected Tribe football co-captains

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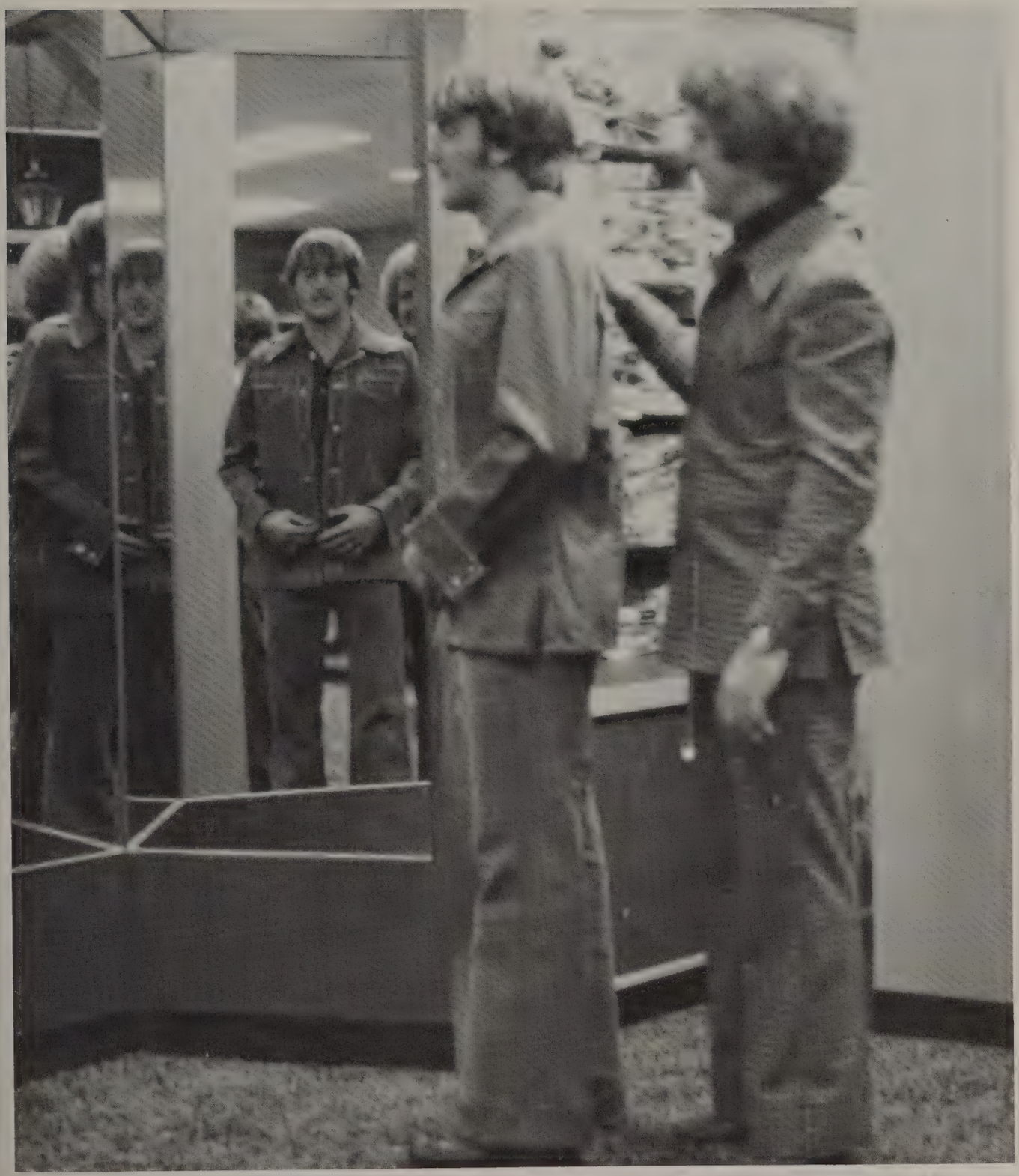

Tim Owens, trying on the fashionable suede suit, admires himself in the mirror as owner Domer Reeves points out the perfect fit.

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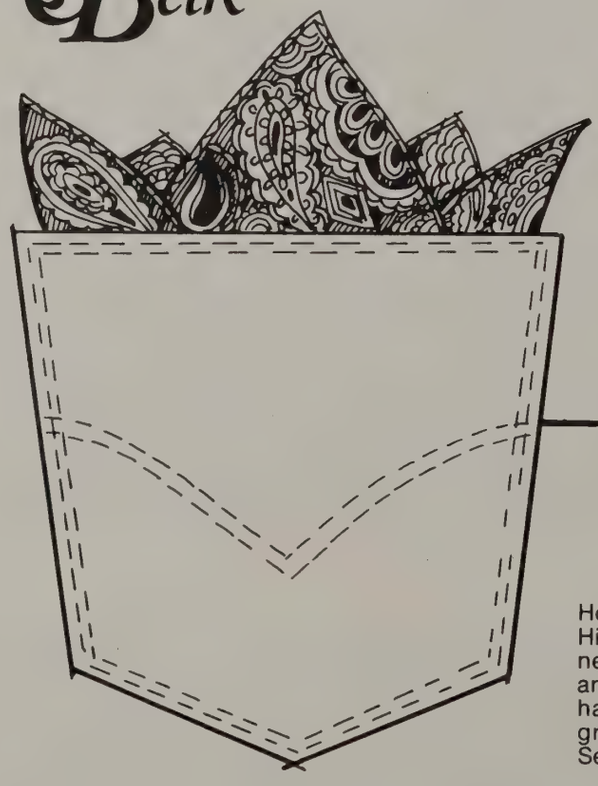

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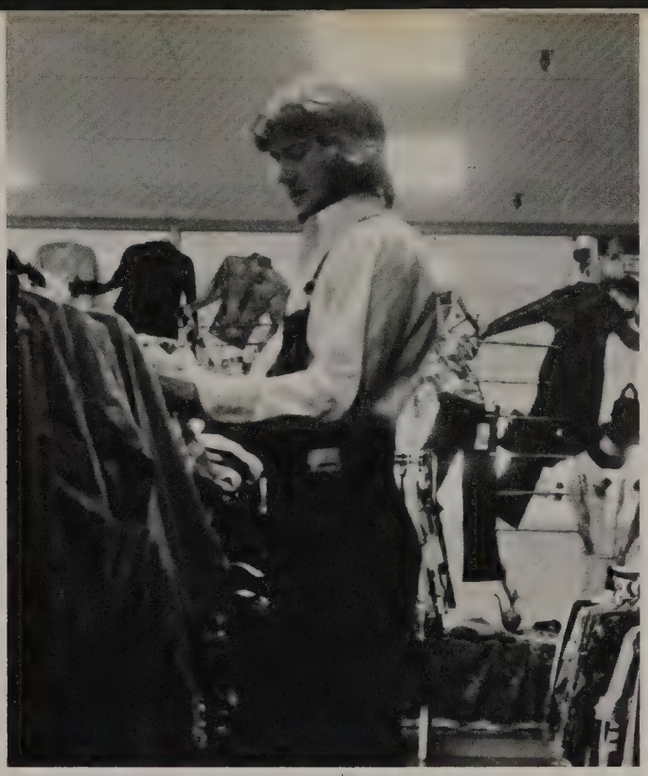

David Mozeley looks through the wide assortment of stylish shirts trying to make a decision on what color matches his new hogwashers.

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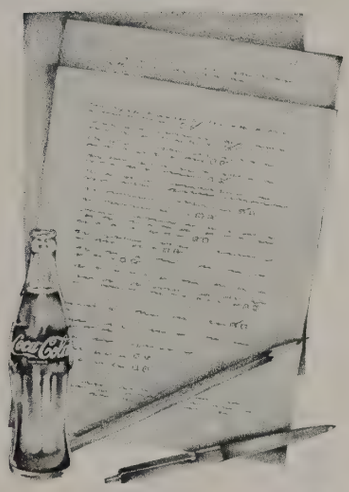

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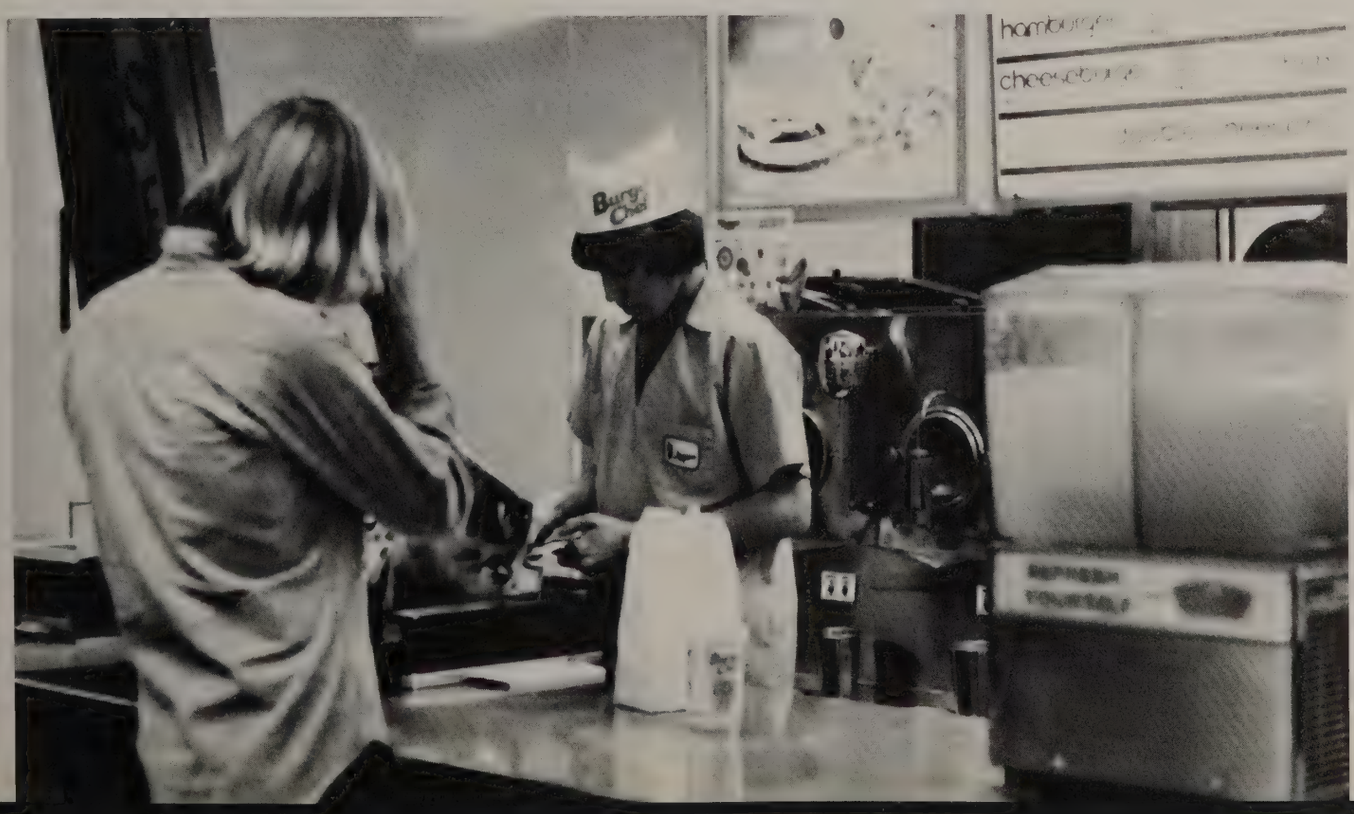

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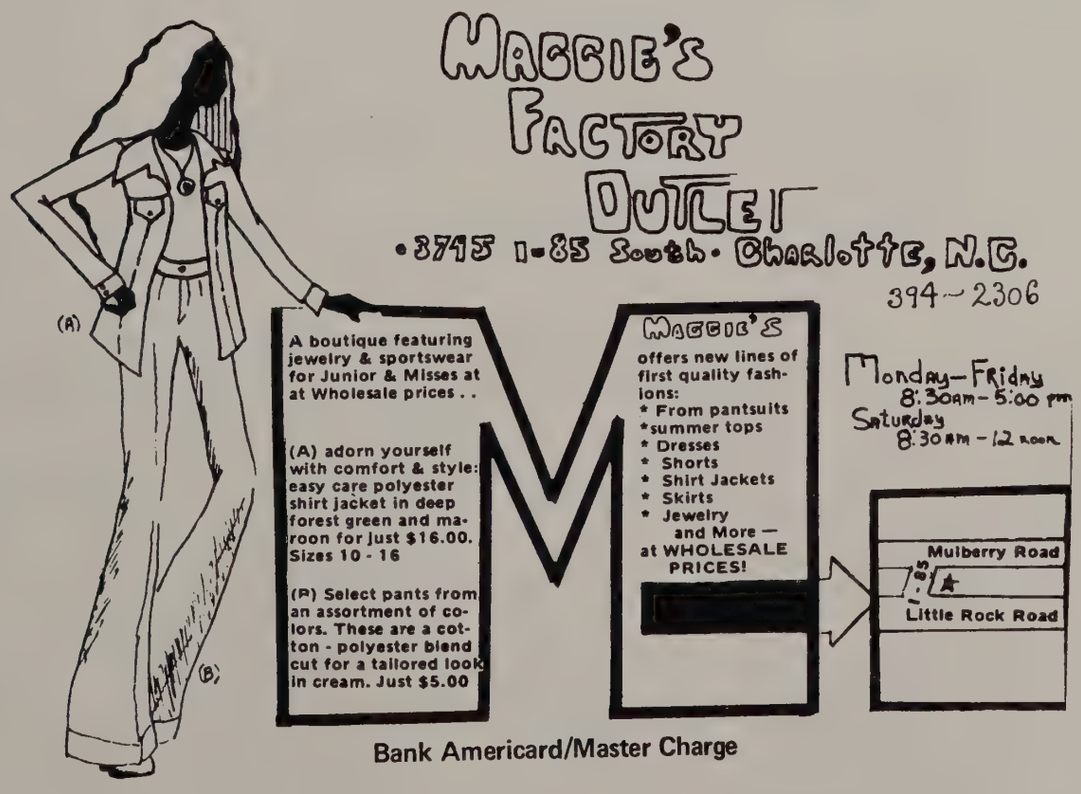

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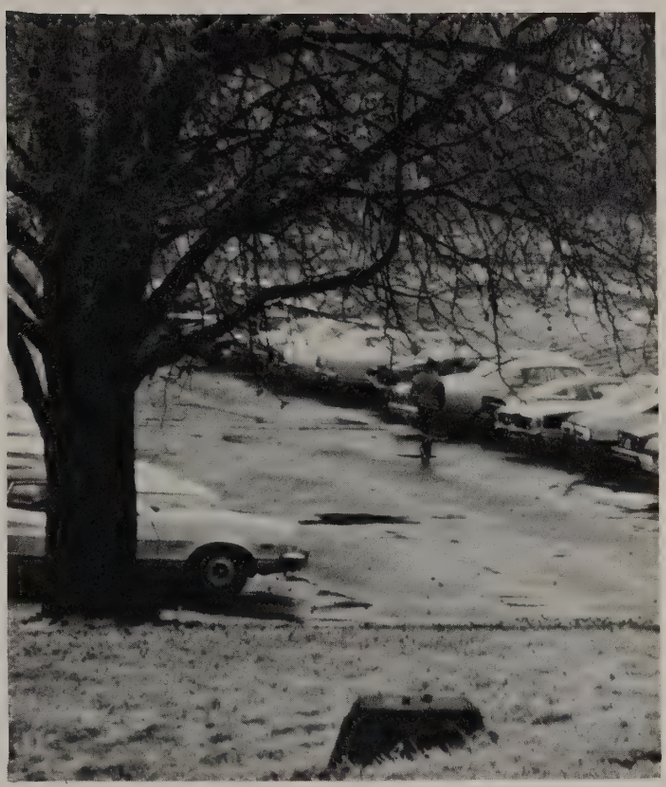

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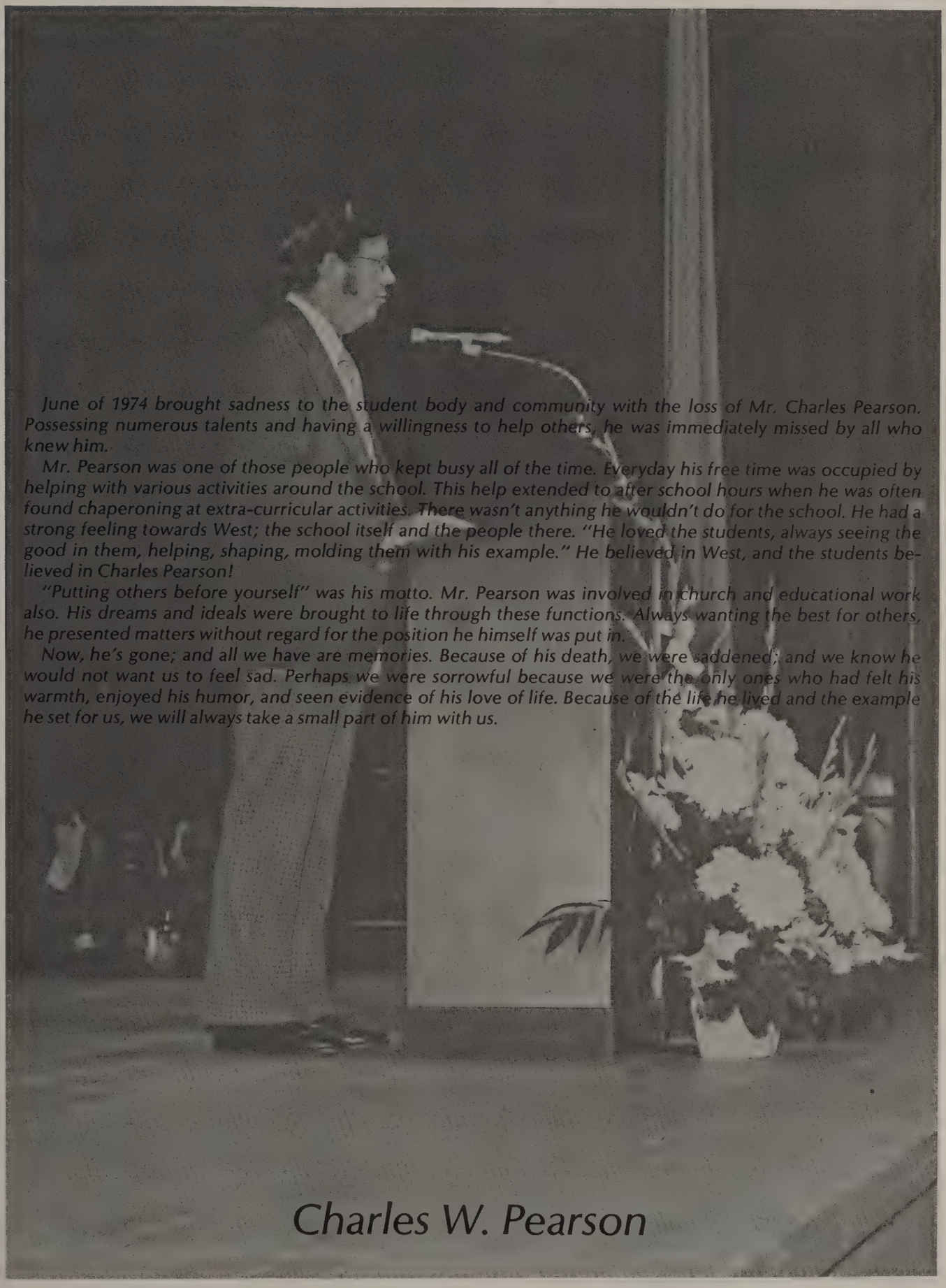

June of 1974 brought sadness to the student body and community with the loss of Mr. Charles Pearson. Possessing numerous talents and having a willingness to help others, he was immediately missed by all who knew him.

Mr. Pearson was one of those people who kept busy all of the time. Everyday his free time was occupied by helping with various activities around the school. This help extended to after school hours when he was often found chaperoning at extra-curricular activities. There wasn't anything he wouldn't do for the school. He had a strong feeling towards West; the school itself and the people there. "He loved the students, always seeing the good in them, helping, shaping, molding them with his example." He believed in West, and the students believed in Charles Pearson!

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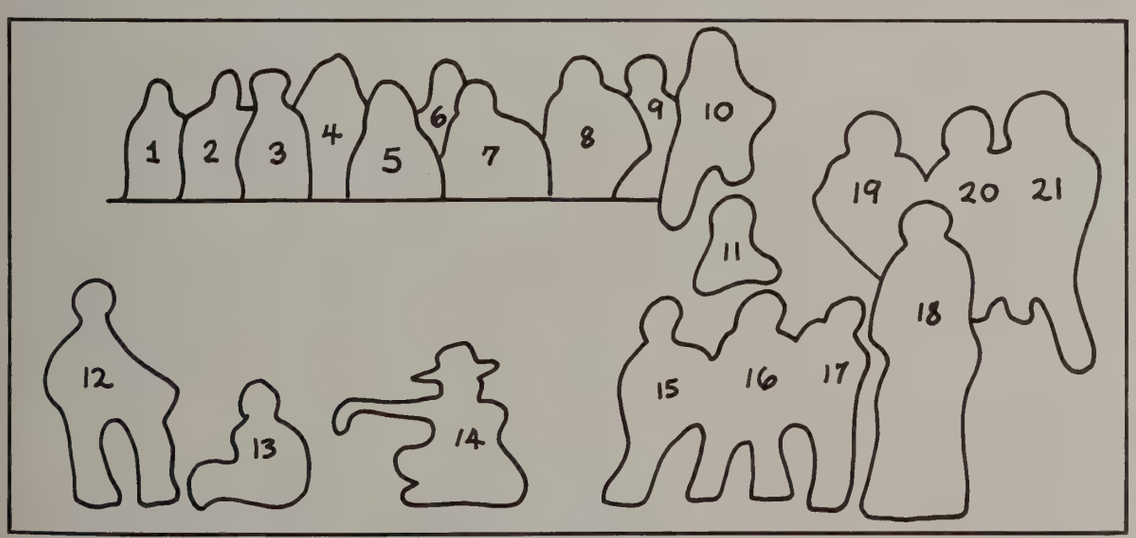

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Change — without it, man does not grow.

He does not progress; he does not survive.

Attempting to portray every phase of school life realistically, the 1975 **Tomahawk** *staff chose "Change: The New Reality" as its theme. With time's passing, change is inevitable; together we changed.*

Reflecting upon the past year, we realized that changes, good and bad, confronted us. For some it was a year of apathy and unconcern; for others, a time of challenge and involvement. Exchanging ideas and ideals helped us to accept change. A story of one year has been told with the new reality of change presented. Looking back over the nine months, we realized we were the ones who brought about changes making the year memorable. Changes became traditions which gave way to changes which continued the cycle. The picture constantly varied as bigger changes created new designs. Such were the changes of '75.

And now it is done.
We are sad because it is over,
And we cannot change the past,
Nor can we turn back.

But a new thrill awaits us
Because the future belongs to us
With its new realities of dreams and hopes
Moved onward by memories of today.

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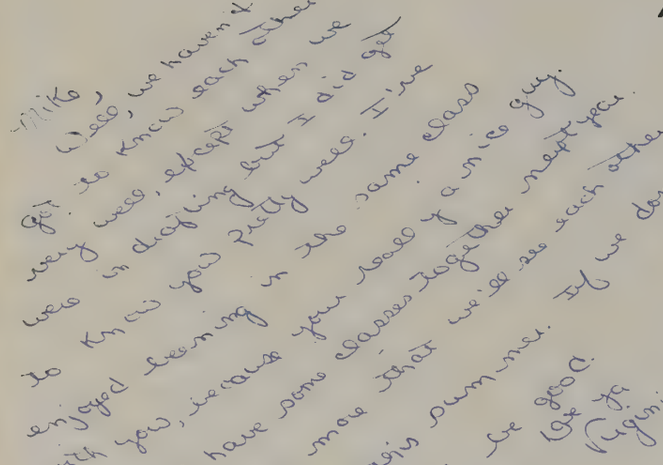

Mike,
Well, we haven't
got to know each other
very well, except when we
were in drafting but I did get
to know you pretty well. I've
enjoyed seeing in the same class
with you, because you really a nice guy.
I hope we have some classes together next year.
But I hope even more that we'll see each other
before then. Like say this summer. If we don't,
have a nice summer and be good.
Love ya
Virginia

Mike,
It's been great
getting to know ya &
having in geometry class.
I hope you have a good
summer. Be good if you can
& try to stay out of trouble.
I hope to see ya this summ
Love ya,
Julie

Mike,
I wish
the school year
would never end because
I want be able to see my
friends. Each year I make new friends
and this year you became one of them,
you lucky thing. Ha! Ha! I am glad I got
to know you and I hope to see ya over the
summer. You had better be good over the summer
because if I hear of you being bad I'll get
you when you come back to school and you better
come back. Stay crazy. Love you,
Jon Kidd

Mike,
It's been fun getting
yelled at in geometry but
I sure wouldn't want to
go through it again. I didn't
get to talk to ya much but
from the times I did you
seem like a real kool guy.
Just stay the way you are
& I hope to see ya this summer.
Be Good,
Lynn

Mike.
Its been fun knowing
you these last couple of
years. Hope to see you in
the summer. Just think
of all the good times in
History & English having
the old bat Norwood.
Stay sweet and hope
to see you in the future.
Love you.
Charlotte Red

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Mike,
This I've known you better and I'm glad cause you are really a nice and sweet guy.
I'm very glad we're friends and I hope it stays that way. Good luck in years to come.

Be good this summer and if you're lucky you just might see me.

Karen Hickson

See
Ya Next
Year

Mike,
It's been great knowing you this year. It's been fun going to the same church. You're a cute + nice guy. Stay that way. Good Luck.

Love ya,
Pam Hanson

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Mike,

I didn't get to know you till really 2nd semester. But I'm glad I did get to. You are one of the sweetest guys in West and you have the looks to even more than match it. Be good this summer and take care. Good luck in anything and everything you do in the future. Hope I get to see you some this summer but if I don't maybe we'll get some classes together next year. Just think we're going to be big bad seniors next year. Well, good-luck again.

Love always.
Gaye Gelsinger.

Mike,

I've enjoyed every minute I've known you because you're always so friendly! Everytime I see you, you're always smiling & you speak whenever I pass you in the halls. I've enjoyed being in your English class & I hope we'll have classes together next year. Stay sweet & see ya next year.

Love,
Susan Castles